



THE 14th Annual Report of the Harris (Calne) Employees' Benefit Society, presented at the Annual General Meeting, held on the 11th December, 1936, was a record of useful work efficiently and sympathetically carried out.

A very welcome feature of the report was the announcement that there had been an increase of over one hundred members during the year. Another very satisfactory point was the increase in the Reserve Fund, which, growing year by year, thanks to the generosity of the Directors of the firm, now amounts to £577.

It was pointed out during the course of the meeting that our Benefit Society was not intended to usurp the functions of Friendly Societies, but to administer benefits which would supplement those granted by societies registered under the Friendly Societies' Act. More important than the benefits paid to members, however, is the help which many have received since the Hospital Fund Section was instituted by the Society.

During the past year 72 members have received treatment at eleven different hospitals at a total cost, including ex-gratia payments, of £368. Convalescent, X-ray, massage, and electrical treatment have been provided for a number of members, and the travelling expenses of members, or their dependants, has amounted to £106. There are still a few employees who are not members of this society, and we feel that when they realise the useful nature of the work undertaken, and how helpful in times of sickness and distress the society is, they also will join to help this good work on to even greater success and achievement.



THE close of 1936 saw us in the midst of the most acute crisis which has confronted the Pigs and Bacon Marketing Schemes. The award made by Sir Robert Greig laid down as an essential condition that the minimum number of pigs to be put on contract by the producers was to be 2,200,000.

After an extension of time for contracting had been given by the Pigs Board the final totals were over 320,000 short of the minimum number required. As the Bacon Board have said in their public announcements, even the reduced number was not properly distributed between factories; indeed, there were 54 curers who had not been able to obtain any direct contracts with the farmers.

Those of us who sit on the Bacon Board endeavour to administer a national scheme in a national manner. The problem with which we were again faced was how we could allow, in any case, insufficient contracts to go on for a year, which meant that 54 men had either to be forced to act illegally to obtain pigs or in the alternative to go out of business. It was not as though the problem ended with those 54 curers. There were very many more who had much less than their allowed amounts.

On the other hand, there were some curers who had got all that they were entitled to and more. The position arose that there could be no equity of treatment between curers as a whole if such a state of things were allowed to continue. The Bacon Board therefore exercised the powers given to them and declared the contracts null and

At the moment of writing (19.12.36) we are discussing wavs and means in regard to next year. Some temporary solution will be found, we hope. Our purpose at the moment is that we may be enabled to take steps to carry on while we are insisting upon the necessary alterations to the Schemes that will put the whole industry upon a sounder basis.

Until all pigs of at least bacon weights are controlled by the Pigs Board and those pigs are distributed in some just manner between all registered curers there can be no remedy for the most undesirable purchase of pigs in the open market.

Nevertheless, in spite of all these worries and anxieties, we all hope to be able to see our way through.

With great confidence, therefore, I want to wish you all a very Happy New Year.



Association of H.M. the King with Industry.

66 TYTE are out to brighten the lives of our fellow citizens in the workshops, to count them as men and women and not merely as instruments of production. When it is realised that their prosperity is our country's strength, their contentment her security, and their happiness her best reward, and when it is known what the welfare movement has done in this direction I feel there will be the necessary help forthcoming from those who wish to see the movement extended in the national interest.

This extract from one of His Majesty's many speeches on industry and industrial welfare explains why the King's association with industry, as Duke of York, has been intimate and sustained. This association has expressed itself in many ways; in his deep personal interest in the work of the Industrial Welfare Society and in the ideals that society represents of co-operation and good-will in industry; in his numerous works visits in all industries in every part of the country; in the formation of the Duke of York's Camp to foster amongst the youth of the nation the same spirit of understanding and fellowship he wished to see grow up in industry. He is Patron of the National Safety First Association and President of the National Playing Fields Association. From the very beginning, when on March 21st. 1919, as Prince Albert, he consented to be President of the Boys' Welfare Association, and when, at the suggestion of Queen Mary, the Association two years later changed its name to cover all those employed in industry. the Duke of York associated himself very closely with the society, helping it in its Council meetings, visiting members, speaking at its functions, and inviting boys from member firms to be guests at his annual camp. In all he has visited some 150 works and thus made himself familiar with the main processes of manufacture and with the conditions under which they are carried on. Several of his industrial tours, such as those to the Tyneside, to Lancashire, and to Scotland, gave him understanding of the special problems in different industrial areas.

Many humorous incidents have occurred

during the Duke's visits in industry. Once on a very foggy day, using one of the King's cars, he arrived at the works office ten minutes before he was expected and found the office boy guarding the entrance. Instructions had been given that no-one was to enter without the Director's permission. The boy was faithful to his command and kept the Duke and his party outside waiting in the fog whilst he ran upstairs to announce that some gentleman had called to see Mr. A.

Once, in playing a golf match against Frank Hodges, at Ton-Pentre, on a course re-claimed from very boggy land by the miners themselves, the Duke saw a nicelyplaced putt he had made on the eleventh green, carried away by a small dog, which disappeared between the legs of the crowd.

Whilst on one of his tours in an industrial area he noticed a small girl sitting all alone watching millions of tobacco leaves passing on a belt. Her only job was to pick out foreign bodies, such as nails, pieces of wire, and so on; to the onlooker a very dreary task. He said to her, "Don't you get a thrill when you find something." The little girl looked up from her work, her eyes glowing in memory of a great event, and said, "I once found a shilling."

In one of his speeches whilst Duke of York he uttered a thought which gives the corner stone of welfare work:-"To be efficient a man must be happy. He must find satisfaction in his work and take pride in the part he plays in his firm.'

His confidence in the future of industrial welfare is expressed in the following sentence: —"I feel that the industrial welfare movement is destined to write a new page in industrial history, and that steady as its growth has been in the past, yet it has a future before it of which perhaps we here can only dream."

These incidents and quotations are given as examples of how, as Duke of York, the King has, in keeping with a democratic age, mixed with friendly informality with all those in industry, be they managers, workers, or the official representatives of the workers. At camp and in the workshop he has won affection and respect and, by himself setting an example of good-fellowship, contributed very greatly to the spread of goodwill in industry.

"It is the one base thing, to receive and not to give."—Emerson.

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A bit about Liverpool.

(By H. W. HEIGHWAY, Chippenham).

THIS city is to my mind more like London than any other provincial town, and has a quiet dignity not noticeable elsewhere. My plan is not to write a guide to the second port of England, but to try to bring forward a few of its interesting features which anyone may see if he looks.

At the Pier Head stands a mackintoshed girl of perhaps 25. Pigeons fly around and settle upon her outstretched arms-feeding from her hands. There is one bold fellow who pecks corn from her pouting lips, and he pecks so furiously that presently a thin trickle of blood starts from her mouth. She wipes away the blood and, flinging away the empty corn bag, quietly fades away. One thinks of things afterwards. Those spineless vouths standing by; those pretty lips of the bird-tamer, that were much too choice for a mere pigeon, and too tender for the abuse of a greedy and selfish chance feeder like that one who has his home somewhere in a draughty corner of that nearby Liver Building, which dwarfs our feathered rascal with its bigger but impossible bird—that golden wing-stretched Liver bird, from whom Liverpool derives its name.

The tide is up, and a few steps bring us to the Landing Stage. Not everyone notices that this stage is afloat, so much like a roadway does it seem. Customs House, Post-office, bookstalls, various large waiting rooms, and refreshment rooms, and even amongst the many other things is a horse's stable. There can't be many horses of whom it could be said that their whole lives are spent afloat.

The quick-changing panorama of the Mersey always fascinates, its interest never stales. Big and little ships, tugs, and ferry boats. It's sailing day for that huge Cunard White Star liner, and two big policemen guard the barrier, and only those with business on the ship may pass. On the far side are watchful eager tugs, waiting that hoarse warning when they, in business-like fashion, will tug this great inert vessel round to the open sea. Unequalled are the important cross-river ferry boats, whose time schedule is (except in foul weather) a marvel

of promptitude. The "Iris" and "Daffodil" are two of these famous ferry boats, and, because they played their part so gallantly at Zeebrugge on St. George's Day, were named, by the King's command, "Royal Iris" and "Royal Daffodil." These vessels landed speedily those who had work to do on the Mole, and, as everyone remembers, that detestable harbourage of German submarines was henceforth bottled up.

Truly there is a magic about the Landing Stage that never stales. We watch the mighty Mersey, upon whose broad bosom sails every kind of craft that floats. Up to the Stage are tugged the crack American liners: Mother Mersey has known them all from the first Cunarder, which had sails as well as steam, to that other "Brittanic," which, when quite a new vessel serving as a hospital ship, was torpedoed by the Germans. Alongside also come the latest luxury boats, veritable floating palaces. Vessels of all nations come snuggling up to receive their complement of passengers. Come down to the Stage as often as you will it is never twice alike, for the kaleidoscope of the river changes as you look upon it. That tallmasted ship in tow is a timber ship from Sweden. Its decks are piled high with timber. Even should it be wrecked it could not sink.

Ten-thirty a.m. That booming whistle is the Isle of Man boat packed with passengers for that sweet little island. No tugs to lead her down the Mersey, for these Isle of Man boats maintain a daily service, and in winter gales grope their way through storm and fog with a cool indifference to weather. These boats are manned almost entirely by Manxmen, who are sailors by instinct and as hard as nails.

Further down this half-mile of floating raft, which we call the Stage, is an old ship, but still a good one. It's the "Baltic," and she sails within the hour. Presently will come the London Boat-train to Riverside Station—a few vards across the road. She was the first Atlantic ship to be fitted with wireless and, it may be recalled, took over to Canada Crippen and Ethel Le Neve. The Captain, observant of the great attention this elderly man was paying to his "son" (Le Neve was dressed as a boy), promptly wirelessed his news to England. Scotland Yard sent over by faster boat, via New York, detectives who met the "Baltic" at Newfoundland, and brought them back to

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entre 0 eritad iditised England, where they were tried for the murder of Belle Ellmore.

Before the War one-seventh of England's shipping was done by this line of docks. Because of the competition of the Continental ports for the American trade, most of the largest ships now sail from Southampton, to the great loss of the City of Liverpool.

Having seen the "Baltic" off, we return to the Ferry again and watch the masterful air of these splendid boats as they sweep in a curve up to the Stage. There goes the bell. Out pour the passengers from three wide gangways, and hey, presto! up swing these same gangways and away back across the river steams our busy Ferry. Her stay at the Stage was almost more a matter of seconds than of minutes.

Along these miles of Docks runs an overhead railway—an easy way to view in comfort the many docks and ships. Across the river each year are carried forty-three million passengers and about one and a quarter million vehicles of all sorts.

Martin's Bank has its head office in the city, and is almost new. It is regarded as the wonder bank. A circular hall, lofty dome and galleries, mosaic, and marble, noble proportions. A place to be seen so as to understand its magnificence rather than try to describe it. We hear the noise of the many machines and that jars upon what otherwise seems perfection. This would not be the sort of place about which Barry Pain, I think it was, said:—

"You remember old George?"

"No, I don't seem to."

"Yes, you must know George."

"What's he do?"

"Oh! you know—sleeps in a bank from 10.30 to 3."

No George of nowadays could sleep in a bank—the noise wouldn't let him.

Eight million pounds was the cost of the Mersey Tunnel, opened by King George and Queen Mary last year, 1935, and the Liverpool entrance is called Queensway. This tunnel is for motor traffic and takes four lines abreast. People on cycles can ride through it, but pedestrians are not permitted. It is held to be one of the greatest feats of modern engineering, and its brilliantly-lit interior makes it very beautiful to see. Queensway is best seen at night. This is surely the most beautiful and colourful entrance that can be

imagined. Spaciousness, graceful architecture, noble pillars and arches; flood-lighting, too, enable one to see the loveliness of this unique entrance to a truly remarkable tunnel under the river Mersey.

Near the Cotton Exchange are to be seen elegant young men carrying bundles of long rolls of samples of cotton. They are not the kind of young men whom one could imagine would ever carry parcels—but cotton is different. These bundles are carried with an air of mingled pride and indifference, for to be a cotton broker is to be a Somebody. Inside the Cotton Exchange is a large round glass-domed hall, and at high change, down in a sunk circle, two steps down, are the buyers and sellers. Alongside is a huge blackboard above a platform. Two men walk about it, and now and then consult a man in uniform (a commissionaire), who wears headphones, and then one of the platform gentlemen rubs out some figures and puts in others. The velling and shouting of these buyers and sellers makes it quite impossible to understand a word they say. On one side of the circle a seller frantically shoots out two forked fingers, points at one or another buyer. Sometimes the buyer is silent—occasionally a buyer nods his head. and each dot down the sale in their pocket book. At this stage of the proceedings, when you begin to be absorbed, a voicequiet authority—asks, "Excuse me, sir, are you a member of the Cotton Exchange?' and reluctantly you pass by the many cable and telegraph desks and into Old Hall Street.

England's great Sovereign, Elizabeth, was a rare business woman. Her ventures into shares in privateers when we were at war with Spain brought her rich profits, or else she demanded the reason why. The line between privateering and piracy was a slender one. "In 1563" (quoting from Gomer-Williams), "a privateer fitted out by Sir Thomas Stanley, son of the Earl of Derby, brought a prize into the river Mersey with great rejoicings." Though it is close on 400 years since that happened, the Stanley Family have steadfastly served by wealth and influence not only this City, but England, too. The present Lord Derby is held in high regard by all. The dockers won't hear a word uttered against him. Time and again he has settled strikes, and the workingmen regard him as a personal friend. Whenever King Edward VII. or King George

came to the Grand National they were the guests of Lord Derby.

The Chinese quarter is becoming smaller. The Chinaman will gamble heavily at "Fan Tan"; also he will smoke opium. In Pitt Street there are Chinese shops and restaurants and even a Chinese Masonic Lodge. If the Chinese persist in gambling and opium smoking they are deported, greatly to the sorrow of their wives, who staunchly speak of them in the witness-box as model husbands.

One summer day, in a country suburb, a man boarded a tram-car occupied entirely by young children who were from the poorest part of Dockland. They comprised every shade of colour from jet black to white. A talkative little girl told him how they all were either T.B. or nearly so, and were sent three times a week to playing fields in the country. Thus Liverpool and England play the generous host to its guests whatever their race or colour may be.



DEAR SIR,

The wonderful success of the Christmas whist drive prompts me to write and congratulate the Cricket Section on what must be a record in Calne for these functions.

During the proceedings Mr. Bodinnar's words at the Benefit Society meeting kept occurring to me. I thought that if there was anything that helped to make for "mixing" it was a whist drive. I commend this form of social activity to all those who desire to become "good mixers" and wish to learn the art of "mixing."

One meets all kinds of people of all ages and is, perhaps, delightfully surprised that one's fellow-worker is human after all.

It is hoped the H.W.A. will encourage and foster this form of enjoyment, and what is equally important is that our members endeavour at future drives to break the record set up on December 16th.

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Photographic Notes.

TWELVE HINTS FOR CAMERA OWNERS.

DID YOU KNOW ?-

That stains on prints and negatives are usually due to insufficient fixing or washing?

That a diagonal, rather than a full, view of a building is generally more pleasing, especially if a portion of the building is in shadow?

That successful pictures of fast-moving objects can be taken with Brownies and other box cameras, if the subject is approaching the camera, and not less than 100ft. distant?

Soft Effects are Best.

That hard black and white tones are not considered by experienced photographers to be the most artistic? Provided that sufficient exposure has been given so that all details are recorded, a soft effect is far more pleasing.

That the best printing papers are obtainable in several grades, and the most suitable grade should be chosen for each individual negative?

That by using a self-timer everyone in the party can be included in a photograph, for this inexpensive little gadget will release the shutter within a few seconds of the moment when it is set?

That slight over-exposure is always preferable to under-exposure?

That Verichrome film is twice as "fast" as ordinary film and reduces the chances of under-exposure to a minimum?

That "actinic rays" of light are those which produce strong chemical changes or photographic action? The term is often applied to ultra violet, violet, and blue rays.

Your Lens must be Clean.

That the windows should be opened to ventilate the room after taking a flashlight photograph, otherwise the subsequent pictures will have a "foggy" appearance?

That clearness and brilliancy in a picture depend to a very great extent upon the cleanliness of the lens? A dirty lens will produce a "flat," hazy picture.

That a small stop opening should always be used when both nearby and distant objects are to be sharply defined at the same time?

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Wiltshire Bacon Co.

The Wiltshire Bacon Curing Company, Ltd., was incorporated on the 30th June, 1890, and the factory was opened and business started on the 30th July, 1891. The factory premises, which extend over three acres, were installed with electric light and we were the first firm to introduce this into Chippenham, the advantages of which in our particular business were very soon apparent. The brand, "Royal Wilts," was registered and bacon, sausages, and lard of this brand soon gained popularity throughout Great Britain. In 1897 the Bradenham Ham business was first established at Chippenham, in succession to a business long done elsewhere.

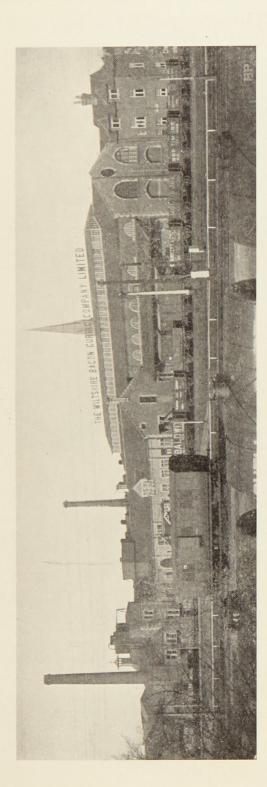
The Wiltshire Bacon Curing Company, Ltd., continued operations until 1920, when the new company was registered, namely, Wiltshire Bacon Company, Ltd., as a subsidiary company of Messrs. C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. The factory at Chippenham is very conveniently situated on the main line of the Great Western Railway, with private sidings running direct into the works.

Our French Feature.

LA CIGALE ET LA FOURMI
La Cigale, ayant chanté tout l'été,
Se trouva fort dépourvue
Quand la bise fut venue;
Pas un seul petit morceau
De mouche ou de vermisseau,
Elle alla crier famine
Chez la Fourmi sa voisine,
La priant de lui prêter
Quelque grain pour subsister
Jusqu'à la saison nouvelle.

"Je vous paierai," lui dit-elle,
"Avant l'août, foi d'animal,
Intérêt et principal."
La Fourmi n'est pas prêteuse,
C'est là son moindre défaut,
"Que faisiez-vous au temps chaud?"
Dit-elle à cette emprunteuse.
—Nuit et jour, à tout venant,
Je chantais, ne vous déplaise.
—Vous chantiez? J'en suis fort aise,
Eh bien! dansez maintenant."

La Fontaine.



The Brotherton Library of the University of Leeds.

The Brotherton Library of the University of Leeds was opened by the Archbishop of Canterbury on October 6th. With its fittings it has cost approximately £120,000, and is the gift of the late Lord Brotherton to the University.

As in the case of Manchester, the main building is circular, and the library is centrally placed. The diameter of the whole room is 160ft.—the British Museum has a diameter of 140ft. The dome is upheld by a circle of 20 green marble columns, each 30ft. high. The number of windows has ensured excellent natural lighting in this strikingly beautiful room. The artificial light of the dome is by an electrolier $2\frac{1}{2}$ tons in weight, and of 25,000 candle power.

Heating and ventilation are dealt with on the Plenum system, the air being washed, oiled, and circulated, and then re-circulated in whatever proportion required.

Encircling the inner portion is an ambulatory composed of a series of recesses. Three rooms have been combined to accom-

modate the Icelandic Library of early Icelandic books, which is probably the best of its kind in the British Empire.

The strong room holds manuscripts and early printed books on loan to the library; and the Roebuck Stamp Collection, a vast and very complete collection of British postage, fiscal, and legal stamps.

The building houses the private library of the late Lord Brotherton, presented to the University after his lordship's death by his residuary legatees, in accordance with Lord Brotherton's wishes.

All the tables, the main parts of the bookcases, and the doors are of Austrian oak, with inlaid strips of Indian laurel. There are 150 points for fire alarms, whereby bells will be set going automatically if the heat rises above a certain temperature.

The new buildings, which can hold at least 800,000 volumes, already contains some 200,000 books, in addition to the Brotherton Collection. Moreover, there is still room on the site for an extensive addition to the structure. The library in a modern University has too often been the Cinderella of the whole institution, but Leeds is pointing the way to giving it its rightful prominence.



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"If it was not for the 'Ouses in Between."

WATFORD, 1925-36.

OME people got quite hot under the collar when our Prime Minister said that a democratic country will move less swiftly than a country under the control of a Dictator. The difference was put at two

I think the Prime Minister's view to be correct and the town I live in provides

examples.

The population of Watford is now 60,000. It is one of the many towns to develop very rapidly during the past four or five years. Our new Mayor says Watford is suffering from "growing pains." Medical men used to use the term growing pain for a trouble that used to, and still does, affect growing children. They used to say, 'There's nothing to these pains—they are just growing pains." That was quite wrong. The pains had nothing to do with growing they were Nature's way of warning. The pains were caused by inceptive rheumatism, and now up-to-date medical opinion has ceased to talk about "growing pains," and knows how to deal with rheumatism.

No town, properly planned, should suffer from growing pains if the disease is recognised in its early stages, and treated properly. Watford does not suffer from growing pains, but from a definite disease known now as the ribbon building plague. The trouble came about through a two to four years time lag, during which speculative builders were allowed to deface the countryside by ribbon building. During 1936 the time lag came to an end, and the ribbon building development is now put under control. But the damage has been done—the system was destructive of the beauty and dignity of the country. It is socially undesirable that houses should be strung along the whole length of the country's roads, instead of grouped in villages.

In 1925 it was possible to play a golf ball from the West Herts links, at Watford, over open country, finishing across Wormwood Scrubbs into the outskirts of North Kensington. Not so now, for all over the districts the ways are stopped by ribbon building. But what could be done now would be to travel by road from Kew Bridge, via Ealing, Harrow, Watford, St. Albans, Hatfield, and so into Essex, with houses in between all the way. Gone are the hedgerows, the wild flowers, and the bird life. A stupid, clumsy method of development. Destruction, posing under the sacred name of progress. Progress, written with a big "P," is apt to be destructive of charms.

The Watford High-street of 1925 was, it is true, built up too narrow. But it made an appeal which is largely lost under the new condition. The old-world shops which had seemed rooted in the town, housing private traders, have nearly all gone. In their place we have the quite up-to-date. The latest novelty in shops—the huge buildings of the chain stores. Well, then, I would prefer the Watford of 1925 to the modern Watford, both in the town itself and in what was once Rural Watford. We have in part preserved Cassiobury Park and incorporated the Whippendale Woods into the Green Belt, but elsewhere is the trail of destruction. The great Clarendon Estate has been purchased by an Assurance Society, and perhaps may be safeguarded in that way. On the St. Albans' side the long stretch of Brickett Wood has fallen to the speculative builder, and so with the ways to Radlett and Rickmansworth.

Someone has said that one can trace the modern history of England through music hall songs. That one sung by Gus Ellen, "If it wasn't for the 'ouses in between,' forecast the destruction now widespread over England.

In another way the roads are affected by time lag and ribbon building. This month of November we had the results out of the new 30 m.p.h. law. It seems to have resulted in the saving on the full year of 1,000 lives, so from that one can gather how many lives were sacrificed before the new order came into being. The ribbon building plan, however, is responsible for a lot of the trouble.

So we face 1937. Perhaps we can find out how a democratic country can remain democratic and yet abolish the destructive time lags. But whatever may be our lot, one English heritage will hold, and we shall face our future in the spirit of Mark Tapley.

Incidentally, although Watford has lost most of its old rural charm, it still retains a great interest in all things directly and indirectly agricultural. During the year 1936 our Corporation Pig Farm made a profit of just short of £600, and some people say the year has not been a good one for pigs!! So the Watford fellows must be a cute lot. R.E.H.

"Love among the Paint Pots."

As I was returning home after the final and excellent presentation of "Love among the Paint Pots," on December 2nd, a kind friend remarked to his companion, "I wonder what untruths that fellow is cogitating upon now." The inference being that, as usual, I was thinking nice things about our Dramatic Section, whereas he was mentally tearing the production to pieces.

There are one or two others amongst us, besides my kind friend, who expect a West End production under every circumstance. Naturally, they are usually disappointed, but the great majority who attend amateur productions in the right spirit get a full measure of entertainment.

Who could have wished for anything more distracting from every-day affairs than the knowing back-chat of Percy Holding and Jack Wiltshire, as 'Arry and Bill, and the convincing tightness of Nobbs, portrayed by John Bromham? Ralph Hill was a Mr. Higgins, contractor, true to life. He wore his hat at a most convincing angle, and spoke to his men with a suitable inflexion of paper-hanging authority.

Although Peter Cainey, as Kit Harwood. looked quite as nice as Owen Nares he would be the first to disclaim the possession of Mr. Nares' airs and graces. In spite of this, Mr. Cainey played his part convincingly opposite to Miss Trixie McFaull, whose Ida was a

really fascinating piece of work, which carried conviction throughout the piece.

Mr. Roy White is always a delight and his intrusion into the "Spotted Cow" at a critical moment in the budding romance of Kit Harwood and his daughter was really dramatic. Well groomed, of imposing height and presence, and a silk hat which nearly reached the roof of the dining-room of the "Spotted Cow," the whole house accepted him at once as Lord Amberley.

Miss Vivienne Woodward is always delightful in comedy parts which require clever presentation. As Miss Mittens she did not detract from her previous reputation as an accomplished comedienne.

Mrs. Nobbs was ably portrayed by Miss Mary Wheeler, who got across a very convincing characterisation (to put it mildly) of a lady not quite satisfied with her husband.

Miss Dora Bouillon, as usual, gave us some very clever acting, but she was rather more than bi-lingual; her diction extended from Mayfair downwards, but she managed to pull up with a jerk every now and then and treat us to-'Am and Heggs in the "Spotted Cow."

The performance delighted the two audiences and must have been a source of secret pleasure to the producer, Mr. R. B. Swaffield, the stage managers, Messrs. R. Caswell and F. Stockdale, and the peruguier, Miss Wheeler.

All sorts of things were handed up to the cast after the final curtain on Wednesday



night, and two presentations were made to two members who are shortly giving up playacting and settling down to the more serious things of life.



At Calne Parish Church, on November 21st, 1936, Mr. Bernard Brewer was married to Miss Violet Angell, late of the Kitchen Department.

The bride was given away by her father and wore a navy blue two-piece suit trimmed with grey astrachan, navy blue hat trimmed with the same material, blue suede shoes, and flesh-coloured stockings, navy blue gloves, and carried an ivory Prayer-book. The bride was unattended.

Mr. Brewer was presented with a drawing-room clock and jade marble bedroom clock from the Retort Department.

An interesting Booklet of Recipes has recently been issued by the Firm.

After reading same I just wondered if it covered the whole range of Bacon and Sausage Recipes.

To test this perhaps you could persuade your readers to send all such recipes they have. We would then see if there are some recipes which have not been included.

A small prize for the best might be encouraging.

Proprietor of Village Stores (showing some snapshots): I was out of focus when that one was taken, Mrs. Green.

Mrs. Green: I'm not surprised. You're always out of something. It was tapioca on Wednesday.

"Tommy," asked his stingy uncle, "how would you feel if I were to give you a penny?"

"I think," replied Tommy, "that I would feel a little faint at first, but I'd try and get over it."

Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. E. TUCKER.
(WILTSHIRE BACON COMPANY, LTD., CHIPPENHAM.)



Mr. E. Tucker commenced his service with the Company on the 20th May, 1907. He has had experience in all branches of the Office, and since 1927 has been in charge of the Costing and Statistical Department; has been secretary of the Employees' Benefit Society since its inception, in the progress of which he takes a very great interest. For a period of twelve years he was secretary of the local branch of the Y.M.C.A.

Let us be content in work To do the thing we can, and not presume To fret because it's little.

E. B. Browning.

Hemp, said to be the oldest cultivated fibre in the world, was grown in China as early as 2,800 B.C.

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A butterfly's eye has been adapted as a photographic lens by an Austrian scientist.

The right possessed by the public to take gold to the Mint to be coined into sovereigns was withdrawn in 1925.



We have received the following report of an informal dinner arranged by the South Wales Van Salesmen, which took place at Barry's Hotel, St. Mary Street, Cardiff, on Saturday, December 5th:—

There were present at this dinner Mr. E. J. Cartwright and Mr. T. J. Charles, representing Mr. J. P. Cartwright; Messrs. D. J. Thomas, Merthyr; J. D. Hopkins, Porth; M. Paxton, K. W. B. Harris, G. I. Williams, Cardiff; T. Trevor Lewis and myself, from Newport.

Mr. James, the manager, excelled in providing us with a splendid dinner in a

private room of his hotel.

After dinner we drew our chairs round the fire and stayed chatting until there was a rush for the last trains to our respective homes.

Mr. Thomas was very fortunate in drawing a case of port and sherry, which was drawn for in the hotel during the evening. I am also pleased to say that he took it home intact.

It was mooted that we hold a dinner each year, and that we invite not only anyone from the Firm, but also our West Wales representative, Mr. Harvey, and his three salesmen, Mr. S. H. Jones (Swansea), Mr. W. Thomas (Llanelly), and Mr. H. Letman (Neath.)

W.J.C. (Newport).

We are very glad to hear that such an enjoyable evening was spent and that there are prospects of this becoming an annual event.

We have recently received a visit from a member of the Oxford University Arctic Expedition, which left this country for North-East Land in 1935.

A consignment of Harris bacon was taken by this Expedition in June, 1935, and it was being consumed and enjoyed in July, 1936.

Mr. Croft gave us some very interesting details of the Expedition, and it is astonishing to realise that from the middle of November until the end of January there is complete darkness, with no daylight at all.

Mr. Croft paid tribute to the excellent keeping qualities of the bacon, and also to its great utility for an Expedition of this sort where a definite amount of fat is essential for

the sake of health.

There is also another point in connection with the cooking of bacon. With the temperature at least 40 degrees below zero the fact that the bacon gives off no moisture in cooking is a great asset by reason of the fact that if moisture is given off it forms hoar frost on the inside of the tent, which has only to be touched to bring down a cold shower on the occupants.

J.H.G.

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What about this for a New Year's motto?:—

"A strong pull, and a long pull, and a pull altogether."

Knowing that :-

When the Great Scorer takes the score

To write against your name, He'll write, not that you won or lost,

But how you played the game.

Calne, December, 1936.

Wishing the Editor the Compliments of the Season.

* * * THE TYPIST WINS.

"I see, Miss Smithers, that you have spelt 'receive' with 'ei' in one place and 'ie' in another."

"I'm sorry, sir. One of them was a slip."

"Well, correct it."

"Certainly, sir. By the way, which one shall I correct?"

"M'm—er—why, the one that's wrong, of course."



LIBARY SECTION.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY A MEMBER.

" Victorian Swansdown," John Orlando Parry.

John Orlando Parry was a noted nineteenth century singer and musician, and this book consists of extracts from his early travel diary, 1828 to 1834. He was able to sing soprano, tenor, and bass, and was equally versatile in composing. His works ranged from the humorous to three religious parables set to music. In 1828 he and his father attended the Eisteddfod at Denbigh, and from then onwards throughout the book we read of the many famous musical people he met during his early travels. In Paris during 1830 he was able to see and take part in the celebrations of the anniversary of the Revolution, and gives a vivid account of the magnificent military display and the fireworks during the evening. From Paris he went to Italy, and in addition to attending the theatre regularly, he climbed Vesuvius, and took part in several carnivals, which he seems to have enjoyed very much. The book closes with his visit to Rome, a city whose beauty impressed him greatly.

SKITTLES.

The Slaughter Department team are at the head of the League Table at the half-way stage and have played some remarkably fine games.

Harry Woodward's team have lost one match only to their near, and dear, neighbours, the Curing Rooms.

They are closely challenged by the Offices and the Boning Department teams and several other sides are in the running for honours this season. We are promised a hectic "second half."

H. Stevens (Office) had a splendid score of 35 in one game last month, but this was surpassed by the magnificent total of 38 of Wilf Smith (Slaughter) against Kitchen on December 3rd. His three scores are interesting:—First leg, 8; second leg, 13; third leg, 17.

Now, let's hear from a Harris player with a total of 40.

CLUB NOTES.

The outstanding event at the Club House during the month of November was the visit of Messrs. Wilmots, of Bristol, for the annual skittle match for the President's Challenge Cup, on Saturday, the 21st.

The visitors arrived about four p.m., and after taking tea in the Canteen (provided by the Skittle Section), they adjourned to the skittle alley for the match. The visitors were the holders of the cup, having obtained it by their victory over the Calne team at Bristol last year, but the Calne team had great hopes of recovering the cup on their own alley. The game was keenly contested, but the Calne team had to give the visitors the credit for the splendid fight they put up and to admit defeat for a second time by 22 pins, as will be seen from the following scores:—

| CALNE. | | BRISTOL. | |
|--------------|-----|--------------|-----|
| A. Boase | 17 | W. Cullum | 21 |
| H. Trembling | 24 | E. Gye | |
| F. Bowyer | | R. Young | 28 |
| F. Croft | | F. Dewfull | 19 |
| R. Bailey | | M. Orchard | |
| H. Miller | | J. Hathaway | |
| J. Bull | | D. Greenland | 21 |
| T. Freegard | | H. Taylor | |
| G. Green | | J. Stone | |
| F. Richens | | H. Gage | 19 |
| H. Woodward | | B. Leach | |
| P. Hitchens | | R. Appleford | |
| | | | |
| 9 | 231 | | 253 |

The skittle teams then spent an hour or so in the Woodlands, where a few games of billiards, cards, &c., were thoroughly enjoyed. The company then returned to the Skittle Alley, which now presented a very different appearance, it having been prepared for a supper, kindly provided by the President, who in the throes of all his pressing business pursuits and responsibilities in connection with the Pigs and Bacon Marketing Board Schemes, and the many other offices he holds, honoured the company by being present and taking the chair. He was supported by Messrs. A. M. Wilmot, B. A. Wilmot, S. North-Smith, T. W. Petherick, and others.

Immediately after supper the Chairman announced apologies from Mr. R. P. Redman, who regretted absence owing to indisposition; Mr. P. T. Knowles, and Mr. J. H. Gillett.

The toast of "The Visitors" was ably submitted by Mr. Petherick, and responded to by Mr. A. M. Wilmot. "The President" was proposed by Mr. A. J. Boase (chairman of the Skittles Section) and Mr. Ashley (Wilmots). This toast was received with musical honours and cheers. In reply, the President thanked the company for the way in which they had received the toast, and in a few well-chosen remarks took the key words used by the proposer and seconder respectively, namely, "Comradeship" and "Reserves." The President presented the cup to the visitors' captain, Mr. B. Leach, and congratulated the visitors in retaining possession of the trophy, and at the same time thanked Mr. Gough and Mr. R. Stanley (secretary of the Skittle Section) for the excellent arrangements which had been made for the supper and the evening's enjoyment.

Mr. North-Smith proposed a vote of thanks to all the helpers and artists, including the voluntary waiters. Mr. George Gough suitably responded in the temporary absence of the skittle secretary.

The musical programme was thoroughly enjoyed and was contributed to by Messrs. A. Morgan (pianist), W. J. S. Wiltshire, H. Hill, P. Holden, and A. McLean.

The evening closed with "The King" at 10 p.m., and all were agreed that a very pleasant time had been spent.

The Billiards and Snooker Handicaps referred to in our last issue are now in full swing and the first round has just been completed. We appeal to all entrants to endeavour to arrange to meet their opponents and to rigidly stand by any such arrangements which are made. This makes it so much easier to run these competitions and regular matches and adds considerably to the enjoyment to be obtained. The Billiards

League is also progressing favourably, but here again an appeal is made to captains of teams to make sure the fixture list is strictly adhered to as far as possible. Should any alterations be necessary captains are urged to get into touch with one another and agree revisions. Any such alterations may be notified to Mr. T. Clarke, who has already taken considerable interest in the League, and who will see that all necessary arrangements for the smooth running of the League will be carried out. We are already indebted to Mr. Clarke for his keen interest in these competitions.

With regard to previous remarks in reference to the Canteen, I am wondering whether employees have given this careful consideration. If not, then they are again urged to do so. If the meals provided are not what are required, please send suggestions; they shall receive careful consideration. The Canteen is for the benefit of employees and we wish to cater for your requirements.

Subscriptions are not coming in so fast as we should like; in fact, we are losing ground, as compared with the number enrolled this time last year. Now when you read these remarks, which will probably be early in 1937, I beg you to start the New Year well by making an immediate resolution and acting upon it to join the H.W.A. We appeal strongly for 1,000 members at least. It can be done. So you are urged to enrol. If you do not use the Club House yourself, give a thought for it, and especially for those who do not reside in Calne who find the house a real comfort and enjoyment.

In return for the generosity of the Directors in providing this magnificent building we want you to show your appreciation therefore by giving us a record membership.

F.H.A.

HOCKEY.

Since the last report four matches have been played. One of these was won and the others lost. Versus Avon Rubber Co., at home on November 14th, a defeat was sustained to the tune of five goals to nil. The team cracked up after a no-score interval, and went down to a superior side. On November 21st, at Bath, versus Oldfield Park, we won by 11 goals to nil. We must admit that our opponents were not at full strength, but the number of goals scored—

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K. Angell 9, McCrae 1, and F. Henly 1come as a helpful contribution to our goal average. At Tetbury, on November 28th, we lost by 1-8, T. McFaull being our scorer. Versus Devizes, at Lickhill, on December 5th, we lost by the only goal scored, but our performance was most creditable. The defence played particularly well to keep our opponents from securing more than one goal, and with a little more accuracy in front of goal by our forwards a victory might have been secured. A great improvement in tactics was shown, and the wingers worked well, especially in the second half of the game. More confidence in themselves and stronger stick play will bring better results, and we look forward to seeing this during the remainder of the season.

CARNIVAL AND FLOWER SHOW SECTION.

We wish to draw our readers' attention to the Annual Children's Christmas Carnival, the fifteenth of its kind, which will be held on Saturday, January 11th.

The Committee are now occupied in working out its details and the usual success is anticipated. The Dramatic Section is again giving its help and the efforts of the members will this year take the form of a supposed broadcasting programme, entitled "Radio Harris Calling."

A new feature of the Carnival will be the "Mystery Person," a local edition of "Lubby Lud." He or she will attend all functions of the Carnival, and the first who greets him or her in the required formula will receive the money gift that he or she dispenses. There will be four periods, and if the money is not claimed in one period it will be added to the next.

Presents of books from Mr. J. F. Bodinnar, sweets from Mr. R. P. Redman, and toys from the Section will be made to the children.

"Have you anything to say before the sentence is passed?" inquired the judge of the convicted burglar.

"The only thing I'm kicking about," replied the burglar, glaring with open scorn at the chief witness against him, "is being identified by a man that kept his head under the bedclothes the whole time I was in the room."

Friends Elsewhere.



GAMES SECTION.

VISIT TO LACOCK.

We paid our annual visit to the Working Men's Club on Friday, November 13th, 1936, where once again we were cordially received. As in previous years the evening was devoted to games. At skittles we were successful, although the margin between the two teams was very small, as the following figures indicate:—

Chippenham 89 93 93—275 Lacock 92 87 92—271

Our Billiards team suffered defeat by 2 games to 1, R. Kington being the only man to beat his opponent, and at Darts our friends also proved victorious by winning 2 out of 3 games. A most enjoyable evening, and we thank our Lacock friends for their kindness, and are looking forward to their visit to Chippenham.

VISIT FROM CORSHAM.

Our friends from Corsham paid the return visit on Monday, November 30th, 1936. Unfortunately we have not the facilities to indulge in Darts and Billiards, so the evening was devoted to Skittles. The first leg found our team in good form, and they ran out winners by 4 pins. This set-back to our friends apparently inspired them, and they won the second leg by 2 pins, and were able to commence the last leg with 1 pin to their advantage. This lead they maintained for a short while, but our team rallied and, towards the end, bowled exceedingly well, finishing the leg with a margin of 14 pins and winning the game by 13 pins:—

Chippenham 82 71 74—227 Corsham 78 76 60—214

COUNTY FOOTBALL.

All at the Chippenham Factory were pleased when they heard that G. Warne had been selected to lead Wiltshire against Dorset, at Dorchester, on Saturday, November 28th, 1936.

We were delighted when we heard that Wiltshire had won by 3 goals to 2, and that Warne had scored two out of the three goals. Warne has for a long time been conspicuous in local football and we feel he deserves the honour which the County Football Association have given him.

ILLNESS.

We regret to report that Mr. J. Bullock has again been ordered to Bath United Hospital. We all sincerely hope the treatment that is now being given him will result in his return to permanent health.

W.H.W.

WORKS COUNCIL.

The annual election was held on November 6th, there being 9 candidates for the five vacant seats. The retiring members, namely, Messrs. J. Baker, G. Hazell, E. Holder, P. Rogers, and W. Wiltshire, were all re-elected and are to be congratulated on retaining the confidence of their fellow employees on the Factory staff.



At the opening of another year, with all its opportunities, we wish to assure our Chief of our loyal support and best endeavours throughout the coming year.

Our profound sympathy is conveyed to our friends, A. J. and J. A. Gallop, upon the death of their mother.

We are sorry that "Nick" Carter has had such a bad spell of illness, and we hope that he will be speedily restored to health and strength again. The fame of the Four Counties' Bacon Co. (1927), Ltd., must be well assured, as we received a parcel recently addressed, "Four Counties Bacon, E. Lee, S'ton"!

We hope there will be a good gathering of the "Clan" at the dance organised by the Jazz Band on December 8th.



We wish all our friends in the Firm of Harris a very Prosperous 1937, and hope that the year will be an improvement in every way on 1936.

We had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. Bodinnar and Mr. Redman on Monday, the 30th November, and thus our Chief was able to preside for the first time at our Annual Meeting of the Benefit Society, which, he said, gave him great pleasure to do, and was most certainly reciprocated by us all. By a happy coincidence the Chairman of the committee was able to report a better year so far as sickness, &c., was concerned, and the share out after the usual deduction was much better than for some years. So altogether the Benefit Society was able to report a good year, and a good wind-up by having its President in the chair for the Annual Meeting.

We are glad to be able to report that Mr. Fred Perham is back again after several weeks illness. Fred has been unlucky this year, but we hope and wish that 1937 will be better.

It is also pleasing to know that Mr. W. H. G. Young, jun., is getting along better and will probably be fit for work in two or three weeks. "Young Bill" has had a very long and trying time with his foot, and we know that he is as anxious to get black and

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greasy again as we shall be to see him back.

At the annual parade of the local St. John Ambulance Brigade the County Commissioner paid tribute to Sergt. W. H. G. Young and told the men that if they carried out his instructions they need have no fear of falling in with any unit in the kingdom. Sergt. Young and Pte. R. J. Slocombe were afterwards presented with Brigade labels.

We have to congratulate Mr. H. D. Smith on obtaining third prize for Caerphilly Cheese at the Somerset County Council Dairying Institute Annual Students' Exhibition, held at Cannington, on the 17th November, 1936. Well done, Dennis!

Our congratulations are extended to Mr. Cecil Turner, who, on the 28th November, entered married life. We all wish Cecil and Mrs. Turner every happiness and joy in their wedded life.

Who was the "hero" we heard had approached the main line gates just as they were closing, and to save a "strafing" and fine for being late carried his "bike" over the footbridge and then let it run away from him down the steps?

R.C.L.

SPORTS

SKITTLES.

HIGHBRIDGE AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

We are sorry we are unable to report much progress by our team during the past month, with the exception that after losing every match so far this season, our team at last awakes from its slumbers, and in a match with last year's League champions, to wit (Watchfield), beat them by 1 pin after a strenuous and sporty game, and we have to thank W. J. Young for the 9 he hit in the last hand, which gave us the game. A. H. Hill was our top scorer with a total of 68 pins.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL MATCH

Our Creamery staff issued a challenge to the Office to try their skill at knocking the woods about, and naturally the Office staff willingly accepted with a "By jove, yes," remembering a game played on the eve of Christmas last year. A date was duly arranged and the "Champions" went forward to do battle, and after a keen, but somewhat hilarious game, the Office won by 54 pins.

Some would have us believe that "Milk" is the best diet to train on, but we would suggest that "Bacon is best," combined with another famous commodity which is very satisfying to the palate; it has that something the others haven't got. It puts vim into you.

We hope that other inter-departmental matches will be arranged; this is a step in the right direction.

"ANNE KIDLEY" CUP COMPETITION.

The second series of matches in this competition was played on Friday, 27th November, at our usual alley, and it will be seen that the five top men have changed places. As stated at the commencement of the season, dark horses turn up in this competition.

C.B.S.

Result of the second round in the
"Anne Kidley" Cup Competition, played

27th November, 1936 :-

| | 1st | Rnd. | 2nd Rnd. | Tot |
|---------------------|-----|------|----------|-----|
| 1.—H. Hardwidge | | 59 | 62 | 121 |
| 2.—A. H. Hill | | 53 | 66 | 119 |
| 3.—G. Pearse | | 51 | 65 | 116 |
| 4:—W. J. Pople | | 52 | 63 | 115 |
| 5.—A. Holley | | 62 | 51 | 113 |
| 6.—H. C. Marsh | | 55 | 57 | 112 |
| C. B. Shier | | 54 | 58 | 112 |
| 7.—D. Smith | | 52 | 56 | 108 |
| H. Neath | | 49 | 59 | 108 |
| J. Swaine | | 51 | 57 | 108 |
| 8.—E. Cann | | 58 | 48 | 106 |
| R. Hooper | | 53 | 53 | 106 |
| 9.—H. Beasley | | 59 | 46 | 105 |
| W. J. Young | | 45 | 60 | 105 |
| 10.—H. Ham | | 50 | 51 | 101 |
| H. B. Blackmore | | 48 | 53 | 101 |
| 11.—F. Pople | | 49 | 44 | 93 |
| 12.—A. C. Chedzoy | | 46 | 46 | 92 |
| 13.—C. Morrissey | | 43 | 39 | 82 |
| 14.—R. C. Lynham | | 61 | | 61 |
| 15.—W. H. G. Young, | sn. | 58 | - | 58 |
| 16.—J. Young | | 47 | _ | 47 |
| R. Gibbs | | 47 | _ | 47 |
| 17.—A. Solomon | | 45 | - | 45 |
| | | | | |

Often an unfortunate experience on a by-path is just what is needed to keep us on the main road.

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It will be recalled that reference was made in the September issue to the gallant act performed by Ronald Sharpe, who plunged into a deep pool and rescued a young girl from drowning.

Recognition has since been made of his prompt and courageous action by the award of the Royal Humane Society's Honorary Testimonial, and the presentation by the Mayor of Ipswich (V. Smith, Esq.) of an inscribed watch and a cheque for £5, from the Carnegie Hero Fund.

Sharpe's colleagues on the Seager Staffs, and all of us at the Factory, were delighted that these well-earned tributes should have been paid to one who, young in years, showed a pluck and manliness in an emergency worthy of the highest praise.



Wisdom is knowing what to do, Virtue is doing it.

When these notes appear in print Christmas will be over, and we shall have commenced the New Year. With this thought before us we could not help but look for some wise phrase to guide us through 1937, and during our search we came across the little gem quoted above. Perhaps many of us have by now learnt the wisdom of these few words after our Christmas feasting.

Many a good story will have been told over the Christmas table, and here is one which has the virtue of being true.

It concerns the little village of Kirkby Overblow, which is situated not far from here, and where never again will the inhabitants be delighted by the spectacle of a rather haughty looking goat bounding along in the wake of the Bramham Moor Hunt.

Previously, when the hunting horn was heard in the village things began to happen in the farmyard, and many a time Billy, or the hunting goat, conquered all obstacles and set off at a gallop after the hounds. But now when the Hunt is expected, Billy is taken into custody, for his hunting days were very expensive for his owner. There was that memorable day when Billy went chasing after the hounds, and when evening came he did not return. A week passed, and it seemed certain that he had met his fate. when news came from a near-by village that the Hunting Goat, wearied with the chase. had "put in" at a local inn. There he had been lodged for seven days; and a healthy goat eats hearty meals, and the farmer had to foot the bill.

However, Billy still has the joy of leaping on to the orchard wall in Autumn and nibbling at apples on the trees. Such little adventures, it is true, bring down the wrath of the farmer's wife on his bearded old head. But what is a chap to do when he can't get his day's hunting now and then? Billy dislikes rain, and, on wet days, advances cautiously towards the farm. At the first opportunity he sidles through the door and stands gravely in a corner of the kitchen. Summary ejections do not destroy his belief that his presence is a satisfaction to the farmer's wife.

One way and another, with these little hobbies and fighting the farm dogs, life passes fairly pleasantly for the Hunting Goat (retired).

* * * "FINE" EXCUSE

Employee, arriving late, reported having dreamed he was watching a football match.

Game ended in a draw.

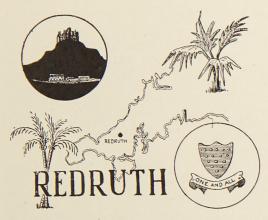
The teams decided to play extra half-hour. Slept on.

Result: Half-hour late.

Country Vicar, finding dead donkey in his churchyard, advises Rural Council, and asks for its removal.

Rural Council reply that it is part of Vicar's duties to bury the dead.

Vicar replies that it is also his duty to notify the relatives.



We wish all our friends at Calne and elsewhere a Very Happy New Year.

Just as we were expecting the restrictions imposed because of the Penzance outbreak of Foot-and-mouth Disease to be lifted we were informed that another case had been confirmed near Truro, and we are again in the infected area. It looks as though the Christmas Fat Stock Markets in certain parts of the county will not be held this year.

During a recent gale a farmer near St. Ives heard a vessel on the rocks about midnight. He immediately gave the alarm, and the St. Ives lifeboat was able to rescue the whole crew of 33 and the cat.

She was an American vessel, called the "Bessemer City," bound from Liverpool to London, with a general cargo, and, having broken her back, the weight of the Atlantic breakers tore her apart amidships. The next morning photographs showed her in two halves, with some hundreds of feet of water between. The lifeboat crew are to be congratulated on their prompt action, but, at the same time, the ship's company were fortunate to get away without loss of life. The Cornish coast is not always so merciful to a shipwrecked crew. In a few days the vessel began to break up and, as usual, the currents brought the wreckage up the coast. On the beaches of the coves and bays, particularly those near Redruth, tons of wood, cases of tinned fruits, oranges, apples, and various other things have been washed up. The local residents have had a really happy time. It is not so many years ago that the Cornish parson used to lead his people in prayer in Church for a wreck to be W.B.F. sent.

Biggins visited London for the first time, and on his return was asked by his friend, Smith, what struck him first about the Metropolis.

"The traffic," replied Biggins; "and my next impression was a cool hand on my brow, a smell of antiseptic, and a voice asking me if I felt better."

Tramp: I say, sir, can you give me a few coppers to help me along?

Dandy: Why don't you do something for your living? You'd better ask for brains instead of money."

"Gee! an' I asked for what I thought

you'd have most of."

Little Boy: England's a free country, isn't it, Pa?

Mr. Patriot (enthusiastically): It is, indeed, my boy!

"Then why don't they let me into the pictures without payin'?"

He who hath many enemies is like a pigeon among kites: whatever way he turneth, he is encountered by misfortune.—

Sanskrit.

Let your courage be as keen, but at the same time as polished, as your sword.— *R. B. Sheridan*.

Light without life is a candle in a tomb; Life without light is a garden without bloom.

Proverb.

In spite of withdrawing from the Great War in 1917 Russia had the heaviest casualties—3,000,000 dead.

SPEED.

Swimming Instructor: That's better, sir; you ain't swallerin' so much water—doing more to the gallon, so to speak.

Spain has fewer daily newspapers than any other European country.

Bees will suck over 3,000,000 flowers in gathering one pound of honey.





T is necessary for us to ask our readers for help and guidance at the commencement of each year in the conduct of our magazine. Several useful suggestions have recently been handed to us, the most novel of which is a request for photographs of our readers, taken when they were very young. A prize will probably be offered to the person who is able to identify the largest number of portraits. Every care will be taken of these family heirlooms, but a month or two may elapse before they are returned to their owners.

A column of answers to correspondents has been mooted as a useful feature. The questions will be published in one issue and our readers will be asked to supply answers in the following issue. One feature which was introduced in our early issues consisted of an "Articles for Sales or Exchange" column. In this case we should have to confine clients to those on our subscription list. All bargains would have to be conducted between the principals concerned without reference to the controllers of the Magazine.

The above are a few points which have been brought to our notice. We are anxious to receive others, which will be carefully considered.

Our May issue will be a special Coronation number, and we hope that readers will supply as early as possible brief contributions to make it a worthy celebration issue to commemorate an historic occasion.



THE activities of a factory involving the full employment of its labour can only be secured economically if three conditions are met, viz.:—

(1) A sufficient supply of raw material of right quality to ensure the proper use of the factory capacity and machinery so as to result in the utmost efficiency and quality, and therefore in the proper rate of charge per cwt. for throughput costs.

(2) A price for its raw material which, after bearing in mind the proper rate of charge for costs of manufacture, is related to the price obtainable by the

manufacturer.

(3) A demand at an economical price level for its manufactured goods.

If to those generally accepted principles of successful management you add two others you will probably get a picture of our present anxiety.

(a) To use a factory economically you must have regular supplies of raw materials and a regular output for your goods.

(b) It must be possible to shape policy for a distance ahead, and there must be some solid basis for long distance planning and building.

The Marketing Schemes were designed to give all these things, but they also envisaged the loyalty of every curer and every pig producer. Certainly on the curers' side those who were responsible for the flotation of the Bacon Scheme believed that the term, "the ordered and regular expansion of the industry," referred not only to the national aspect of the matter, but also to the individual factory, if that factory were properly equipped and efficiently run. Much time was lost (and we have no desire to apportion blame) in the setting up of a Development Board to regulate factory expansion within the industry. This should have been in being from the start. One believes if it had operated concurrently with the launching of the constituent Schemes, and its proper powers had been given to it, instead of the atrophied provisions under which it now works, much of the delays, mistakes, and lack of co-ordination would have been avoided. It was a relatively simple matter to launch a Bacon Scheme in the knowledge of things as they then were, with the distribution of pigs to then known factories of then known capacities. It was a more difficult thing to deal with things as time went on, with new factories springing up, with enlargements going on in old factories, and with many curers and many producers freely offering and accepting additions of one sort and another to the national price conditions and grading results, actions which the so-called "unpopular" curers held to be legal contraventions of the Schemes and prescribed Contracts.

Some of us have held strenuously to the view that a national price for pigs, which is applicable to all curers and producers, involves also national factors in other ways. Let me explain. Bacon prices, influenced by quota allocations to foreign countries, must tend to become more and more equivalent to the ascertained price for bacon obtained by individual curers. Let us put it, then, that Government policy in the quantitative regulation of imported supplies is calculated over any given year to result in an average realised price for bacon. That realised price for bacon is the only cash in the curer's purse out of which he can pay:—

(a) The arranged contract price for pigs.(b) The cost of getting the pig into the factory (carriage, &c.)

(c) The contribution to the insurance of the pig, the level delivery bonus, the Marketing Board levy.

(d) Cost of salaries, wages, coal, oil, salt, electric power, gas, curing materials, cold storage, transport, clerks, selling agents, office expenses, packing materials, factory upkeep and depreciation, stationery and all the

expenses involved in receiving, killing, cooling, hanging, curing, smoking, cutting, selling, and despatching the pig and its resulting bacon.

Under the heading (b) uniformity was largely obtained through getting a national flat rate of carriage. (c) also was arranged. (a) was dependent upon the uniformity of treatment provided for in the Contracts being carried out. I have already referred to the differing practices among some curers and some producers. These immoral and illegal practices did much to upset the possibility of an even supply of pigs amongst factories. (d) can only be attained as a comparable cost as between factory and factory the country over, if to each factory a common test can be applied, viz.:—Is each factory receiving the correct number of pigs so that its proportion of utilised capacity is the same as the other fellow's. If it is not how can the factory which is below the proportion of the others pay the same price as they do for pigs? Take a simple illustration:

(a) Two factories each possess a capacity for killing and curing and selling as bacon 4,000 pigs a month.

(b) Assume merely for the purpose of easy illustration that the expense of each factory is £3,000 a month.

Factory A.—Kills 4,000 pigs (its full capacity) in a month, and on the illustration given that would show its throughput charge per pig to be 15s. each.

Factory B.—Kills 1,000 pigs (one-fourth of its capacity) in a month, and still following our illustration, the throughput charge per pig would be £3 each.

Now see how this would work out:—

| F. | AC | TOR | YA. | FAC | TOR | YB. |
|--|----|-------------|-------|-----|-------------|-------------|
| a. Contract price of pig, 7sc. 2lb. pig, at 12s. per score b. Carriage, &c c. Insurance, &c d. Other throughput | 4 | 5 2 2 | 3 8 2 | 4 | 5 2 2 | 3 8 2 |
| costs (see above) | | 15 | 0 | 3 | 0 . | 0 |
| Cost of green bacon before crediting sale of offals £ | 5 | 5 | 1 | £7 | 10 | 1 |

How can the curer in Factory B live against the preferential conditions applying

to Factory A? Herein lies the problem known as "Equitable Allocation" of pigs.

The 1937 contracts had to be turned down because not only did they provide in their maldistribution as between factories examples like the one I have given, but also because a large number of curers had no pigs at all

Following the breakdown, we are, for the time being, buying pigs as we are able, direct from producers on day to day terms. While prices will be free for a while, we are expecting a determination of the Pigs Marketing Board that will fix grading and other matters until a long term policy can be legislated. To the latter we are bending all our time and energy.



WHAT COUNTS!

When Jimmy Jimson starts to pitch
At baseball in the lots,
He gives his little head a twitch
And ties himself in knots.
He bends his body, lifts his knee,
And limbers up his toe,
And swings the ball amazingly
Before he lets it go.

But Tommy Tomson's not the same;
He desn't move around
As Jimmy does; a different game
He plays upon the mound.
He sizes up the boy at bat;
He looks him in the eye;
Then takes a little step—like that—
And lets the pellet fly.

And thus the game of life is played.

When you are one and twenty
You'll find in every line of trade
Of Jims and Toms aplenty.
I think this humble notion
For a moral well will serve:
There's nothing in the motion
If you haven't got the curve.

Dayton (Ohio) Rotary Smile.

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The Oxford University Arctic Expedition to North Eastland.

E are indebted to the member of the above expedition who acted as its Dog Driver and Photographer for the following glimpses of an heroic adventure.

This venture into hitherto unknown Arctic territory was marked by a staff-work which was complete in every detail, and did much to ensure a safe return of the young explorers with valuable information of a

scientific and geographical nature. Apart from the satisfaction which members of the Expedition must have felt at meeting Nature face to face and wresting useful secrets from her, there were rewards of a more spectacular nature. Whilst making the first ice-cap station, three tunnel systems were discovered, each blocked by long icicles which had to be cut down before a way could be made through them. At some points it was like the tangled vegetation of a forest. At others it resembled the caves at Cheddar but far surpassing them in loveliness. At seventy feet below the surface there was a stretch of water which flowed into the darkness beyond.

Three times daily meteorological readings were taken. Under blizzard conditions this might prove exciting as it was extremely easy to lose all sense of direction if blown over by the wind.

After the base had been consolidated, the survey of the country had to be undertaken. This involved establishing food depots and lines of communication, which proved the most hazardous and difficult part of the expedition. Sledges had to be hauled over a dangerous wilderness abounding with gaping crevasses. Sometimes food ran short and the dogs became so famished that they commenced eating their traces and harness and any part of the camp equipment they could get their teeth into. Besides these dispiriting conditions, there were bears! One day, a bear loomed up out of the darkness and quickly approached the party. Loud shouting made him stop, but it was stalemate, for he effectively barred the way and remained impervious to insults. The dogs became wildly excited and were with difficulty restrained from an attack which would have precipitated a general engagement. Whilst one member of the party kept the dogs back with a whip, another member went forward and the bear approached to within a few feet hissing angrily. After a spirited game of bluff, during which the bear reared up on his hind legs and several passes were made at him with an ice-axe, he gave way and lumbered off.

Some of the ice-cap stations were 250 miles from the base, involving journeys under the full moon and sometimes without a moon, during the long Arctic night.

The Expedition did not set out merely in search of adventure. There were meteorological observations to be taken, atmospheric ozone to be measured, Aurora to be studied, and research work to be carried out in connection with wireless communication. Important experiments were made by sending waves vertically to the reflecting layers which are situated up to a height 250 miles above the earth's surface and examining and photographing them upon their return by means of a special device which the scientific wing of the Expedition carried.

After four months of winter darkness, the sun rose on February 25th. The Spring is the best time in the Arctic. The atmosphere is beautifully dry and invigorating, the sledging surfaces excellent, and owing to the low altitude of the sun the unforgettable tints and colourings peculiar to the Arctic are at their best. The Summer thaw brought new dangers and discomforts. Floes might break from the main ice field. There were swollen streams and a prevailing high wind.

It is impossible in a short note to fully appraise the value of the work accomplished by the young men of this party, but we feel reassured by their exploits that the spirit of enterprise and adventure still runs in the blood of Englishmen.

Worry makes matters worse.

Worry converts future trouble into present trouble and resuscitates buried trouble. It scores the earth for trouble that may come to you and brings it to you.

Worry is inexorable. Banish it, or become its slave!

Sandy: If you had five shillings in your pocket, what would you do?

Tammas: I'd think that I had some-body else's breeks on.

Annual Children's Christmas Carnival.

IN spite of the wave of illness which has been prevalent since Christmas, nearly 300 children hailed with glee the arrival of Saturday, January the 9th. On that date the 15th annual Christmas Carnival, held in connection with the Harris Welfare Association was held.

The children were entertained at the Town Hall in the afternoon by the Dramatic Section of the Welfare Association, when "Radio Harris Calling," produced by Miss M. E. Wheeler, was presented. The performance was received enthusiastically by the children, who were then marshalled across the Strand to the Warehouse floor, where tables were laid for the tea, to which the retired servants of the company had also been invited by the President of the Association, J. F. Bodinnar, Esq.

Whilst the tea was in progress Mr. and Mrs. Bodinnar and Mr. and Mrs. Redman

joined the happy party.

Following a "feu-de-joie" of exploding crackers, the presents were distributed from the Christmas tree by Mrs. Bodinnar, assisted by Father Christmas. Each child also received a book, the gift of the President, distributed by Sister Gowan and Miss Fellows, and a packet of sweets (the gift of R. P. Redman, Esq.) from Mrs. Redman.

When the doors were thrown open to the members of the Association and their friends a delightful scheme of decoration met their eves. All signs of commerce had been tastefully camouflaged by side shows, stalls, and bunting. The evening part of the programme opened with a display of charming and original fancy dresses. The prizewinners being: -Girls 8 to 14-1, Cynthia Hart; 2, Margaret Hart; 3, Jean Noad. Girls under 8-1, Betty Barber; 2, Jean Barber. Boys, 8 to 14-1, Bert Barber; 2, Eric Cousins; 3, Dennis Bowyer; 4, Edward Barber; 5, Basil Wiltshire. Boys under 8-Keith Day. At the conclusion of the judging little Miss Cotton presented Mrs. Bodinnar with a charming bouquet.

Subsequently a repeat performance of "Radio Harris Calling" was well received in the Town Hall. Miss Wheeler is to be congratulated upon overcoming the difficulties caused by several of her original

company having fallen victims of influenza. A special word of praise is due to Mr. A. Morgan, who presided at the piano, and Messrs. Caswell and Stockdale, the stage managers, assisted by Messrs. E. Butler and Roy White.

The carnival floor was crowded when the ceremony of the crowning of the Carnival Queen was performed by Mr. Bodinnar (who took the opportunity of wishing everyone a Happy New Year). After the Jazz Band Contest, which resulted in the following awards being made:—1, Slaughter; 2, Kitchen No. 2 Band; 3, Kitchen No. 1 Band; a procession was formed and the Queen (Miss Lena Hughes), her attendants, the Misses Bettine Bewley, Joan Gibbon, Joan Carter, and Irene Franklin, made a progress of the Carnival Hall to the strains of the Calne Town Band, assisted by the massed jazz bands.

The Calne Town Band again added to the gaiety of the evening by providing an excellent programme of music. A host of helpers supported loyally the chairman of the committee (Mr. T. W. Petherick) and the joint hon. secretaries (Messrs. G. R. Ashman A. McLean, and R. B. Swaffield) in their efforts to provide a jolly day's proceedings. Mystery persons attended the Carnival, and much amusement was caused by challenge and counter-challenge as attempts were made to claim the prizes carried by the unknown.

Later in the evening a very successful dance was held in the Town Hall, music being provided by the "Futurists" Dance Orchestra.

THE MYSTERY MAN AT THE CARNIVAL.

I am afraid my period as Mystery Man was rather short lived, but nevertheless the "hunt" was both amusing and warm—in fact, one might say "hot" at times. As the clock drew near to 6.30, much to my discomfort, the customary crowds dwindled to a mere handful, owing, no doubt, to the counter-attraction at the Town Hall of "Radio Harris Calling," and I realised that if, in the small attendance left in the Carnival Hall, my identity was to be held for an hour a standard approaching that of "Public Mystery Man No. 1" must be reached. The clock struck 6.30 and the hunt was on. Ten minutes passed, my presence was announced through the amplifier, but still people little realised the simplicity of their task. I had

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CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL.



Some Members of the Committee.



Massed Jazz Bands.

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been on my own most of this time and began to feel like a mystery that no-one wanted. At last I found a pal and suggested that we should be the first to start the hunt, whereupon we learnt our lines by heart and I thought at the same time I would take a risk, so I practised my lines by challenging him twice. Apparently he had a good memory, for he needed no practice, but he suggested to me that if either of us won the prize we would go halves. This, of course, I willingly agreed to. We had toured the whole hall challenging everybody we met, and unsuccessfully, of course, but following our lead the fever had taken on and "hounds" were everywhere. At one time a young man was so hot on my trail that I sought refuge at the lemonade bar and, waiting for the attendant to turn his head, I placed a previously written card under one of his glasses. I left another card at the "Can-Can" stall after winning a small "Players," but I noticed both cards were there later. Immediately following this I had several narrow escapes. A well-known figure of the Retort Department, with his wife, were apparently making a combined effort, heading straight for us. My death seemed imminent, so I attacked with a challenge and by getting the first "blow" in took the "wind out of their sails." He retaliated, however, with an incorrect challenge, and so we passed on with a joke. All the time my pal was ignorant that I was the man who was sought after. We went on and challenged a gentleman of the Warehouse and his wife, at the same time reminding them that they had not challenged us; but it was no good, the bait wasn't nibbled. Feeling bold, I approached a young lady of the Warehouse and begged her for a challenge, but she blushingly assured me it would be waste of breath, so I was compelled to leave her, feeling extremely disappointed. Our next visit was to the Treasure Island, where I left a peg signed "Mystery Man No. 1—7 p.m." An incorrect challenge followed from a wellknown member of the Administrative staff. and after reading the lines from my pregramme to him, I left him in a somewhat puzzled mood. As I passed the stalls where my cards were still unnoticed (7.10 p.m.) a jumbled version of the challenge was shot at me by Mr. C. Britten. My pal and I explained to him that if he wished to be successful he must challenge correctly and after a brief study of the programme he

"shot" me with the words this time in their right order. So I was obliged to hand the prize over with my pal standing by portraying obvious signs of amazement.

Editor's Note.—This pal was himself a Mystery Man later in the day much to the amazement of the writer of the above article when he heard the news the next day.

WINNERS:

1st Period—Prize of 5s., Mr. C. Britten.

2nd Period—No claimant.

3rd Period—Prize of 10s., Mr. F. McDonough. 4th Period—Prize of 5s., Mr. E. Bowyer.

CARNIVAL AND FLOWER SHOW SECTION.

PRIZE-WINNERS.

Skittles—I, R. Taylor; 2, O. Green; 3, G. King. Ladies—Miss Q. Minnis. Treasure Island—Mr. F. Webb, Mr. A. E. Butler, Mr. C. Garraway, Mrs. M. F. Clifford. Side of Bacon—(Weight, 56lbs. 9ozs.)—Mr. A. S. Haddrell, Mr. B. Staples, Mr. S. J. Harding, Mr. F. Trumann. All equal 56lbs. 9ozs. Dressed Doll—(No. 11), Mr. J. Ruddle. Box of Cigarettes—(No. 2236), Mr. H. Stephens. Cake—(No. 2694), Mr. J. Hand. Box of Chocolates—(No. 1267), Mr. R. Swaffeld, junior. Programme—(No. 200), Mr. J. Stephens.

THE DRAMATIC SECTION OF THE H.W.A. PRESENTS "RADIO HARRIS CALLING"

We saw the Harris Players in holiday mood at their effort held on January 9th, in connection with the Annual Christmas Carnival. Miss Wheeler and her helpers are to be congratulated upon so successfully overcoming the difficulties caused by the prevailing sickness of the last few weeks. The concerted items, supplemented by the excellent troupe of dancers, received warm applause. Percy Holding delighted the audience with his clever imitations and Herbie Webb demonstrated that he knows how to get a comic song over the footlights.

Four attractive numbers consisted of duets supported by the entire company. The young ladies who helped to brighten the programme in this respect were the Misses N. Woodward, T. McFaull, S. McLean, M. McLean, P. Kettle and K. Kettle.

A really clever feature of the bill was a "studio" presentation of a burlesque pantomime. The ease with which this little trifle swung along (thanks chiefly to the efforts of our versatile friend, John Bromham) must have made Miss Wheeler feel that all the work and worry entailed was really worth while. Mr. C. Morgan at the piano gave the necessary swing and rhythm and the stage managers, Messrs R. Caswell and F. Stockdale, assisted by Messrs. E. Butler and R. White at the lights, set the seal of success on a jolly performance.

A London Landmark.

THE last exciting weeks of 1936 have witnessed the loss of what was the chief London landmark. There are few Londoners who have not paid a visit to the Crystal Palace; hardly any at all who have not viewed it from afar. Standing as it did on the top of the Sydenham—Penge range of hills, it seemed to dominate London, so that as a landmark it was more noticed than St. Paul's Cathedral or the Houses of Parliament.

Always having lived in the opposite side of London, I but very seldom went into the Palace. But for all that it seemed so familiar, for at Ealing, from Hanger Hill, and later on from Harrow Hill, it was on any normal day in view. London could rarely be seen because of the smoke screen that covers it from view, but, looking over and beyond the smoke screen to the Surrey Hills, the Palace always caught one's eye. We used to think of it as a weather glass, for if it stood out seemingly near and clearly cut, then we expected rain, but if it seemed a long way off, and in a haze, then we could expect a spell of fine weather.

That smoke screen which hides the London buildings was only really lifted during the coal strike, and then from the School Terrace, at Harrow, all London was to be seen from Westminster to the Tower Bridge, and from the Churchyard on the other side of the hill, Windsor Castle. It was partly that wide sweep of view from Windsor to Sydenham which made Harrow Hill as famous as Richmond Hill.

The destruction of the Palace at this time of year reminds me that I went there one afternoon, but not to the Palace, but to the Palace grounds. some time before the Great War, and the occasion a Rugger match, England v. New Zealand. It was an historic encounter, and is deeply written in the

history of English Rugger. The English XV. played in the old familiar formation, with two scrum halves and three three-quarters. The New Zealand XV. formed up with a fly half and four three-quarters, and we said, "England must win." For we thought the visitors could not hold the scrums bereft of a man. But they did hold the scrum, and when the ball came out on their side it was speedily transferred to the extra threequarter, who, being a very speedy runner, got through more than once without a hand laid on him. That match changed English Rugger, and almost from then on the present formation of scrum and fly half and four three-quarters came into being. It made a more open and faster game. The recent further development of wing forwards has taken a good move too far, and it has become evident that something will have to be done to keep the wing forwards really on side.

Personally, the Palace interested me because sport has found a home in the grounds. Did not the famous Corinthian Soccer XI. make their home there, when for a period they were on the top of the Soccer world?

Now the great glass house is in ruins. It will not be re-built. To do that would cost far too much, and would not be worth while. The question then is urgent. The site is splendid and cannot be lost to London. But, really, the great glass house was a Victorian relic. It took us right back to other days. Those days of the hansom cab. Those times when life was less complicated to a period when people did not rely so much as now on the restless desire to tear at breakneck speed from one place to another by road, or by air, regardless of life and limb.

For my part I hope to see the now ruined mass cleared up and the ground put to the use of open-air sport. So, although something will have been lost, the loss will be made good and the Palace grounds still be a meeting place for English sport.

R.E.H.

* * * * CORRECTION.

Owing to a typographical error the date of the Ideal Home Exhibition referred to on page 31 is given as May 30th, it should be March 30th.

Our French Feature.

MA MERE.

Regardez ses enfants se sont assis en rond Leur mère est auprès d'eux, leur mère au jeune front

Qu'on prendrait pour une soeur aînée Înquiète au milieu de leurs jeux ingénus De sentir s'agiter leurs chiffres inconnus Dans l'urne de la destinée.

Près d'elle naît leur rire et finissent leurs pleurs

Et son coeur est si pur et si pareil aux leurs Et sa lumière est si choisie

Qu'en passant à travers les rayons de ses jours La vie aux mille soins, laborieux et lourds Se transfigure en poésie.

Toujours elle les suit, veillant et regardant Soit que Janvier rassemble au coin de l'âtre ardent

Leur joie aux plaisirs, occupée

Soit qu'un doux vent de mai qui ride le ruisseau

Remue au dessus d'eux les feuilles, vert manteau

D'où tombe un ombre decoupée.

Parfois lorsque passant près d'eux, un indigent

Contemple avec envie un beau hochet d'argent

Que sa faim dévorante admire

La mère est là. Pour faire au nom du Dieu vivant

Du hochet, une aumône, un ange de l'enfant Il ne lui faut qu'un doux sourire.

V. Hugo.

"LOVE AMONG THE PAINT POTS."

It is to be regretted that in last month's Magazine one of your contributors saw fit to publish (without permission) what was certainly a private conversation.

It is more to be regretted that he attributed to the writer of this short note an opinion which had no foundation in fact. Such things are not done in the "best circles."

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OST EDITORIAL OFFICE HARRIS MAGAZINE.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

My recollection of Gus Elen's (one "1" please, and not two) song, "If it wasn't fer the 'ouses in between," is that it referred to the adventures of a Cockney and his family at the seaside and contained no prophecies regarding ribbon building. I believe Mr. Elen (who continues to delight us on the wireless) left such things to an elderly gentleman named Moore whose literary efforts, together with illustrations, were retailed for the modest sum of one penny.

With regard to ribbon building, I would suggest that two other songs by Gus Elen are equally applicable—"It's a Great Big Shame" and (for the unfortunate citizen)

"E dunno where 'e are."

Still, joking on one side, I have often thought that an article or two by "R.E.H" (may he still continue to delight us with his excellent writings) on the Music Hall of byegone days would be of intense interest and would make absorbing reading—the changes that have taken place in the public taste for such things, the collapse of the "Halls" against the modern cinema, and the gallant fight which they are now putting up for their place in the entertainment world.

There is also the Circus—but, there, one's pen is apt to run away with one when one dwells upon the entertainment world of the "Good old days."

Do you remember "Magic Lantern" with its stirring stories; the penny readings, and Christy's?

"THE LONG WHITE BEARD."

* * *

The fly is able to move its wings at the rate of 330 beats to the second. He is busier in wing-beat than the bee, for the latter has a wing-beat of only 190 to the second. He leads the world in actual muscular energy and is relatively a giant in strength. A man or a horse does well enough if he pulls his own weight. A beetle multiplies several times over before he feels that he has got a pulling job really worthy of his powers.

Duke of York's Camp.

O His Majesty the King stands the credit of initiating one of the most practical and constructive social experiments of post-war years. Sixteen vears ago he conceived the idea of bringing together public schoolboys and boys employed in member firms of the Industrial Welfare Society in equal numbers in order that they might, by the intimate contact and good fellowship of camp life, acquire a robust respect for one another and a more tolerant consideration for each other's point of view. The experiment has proved to be an unqualified success, and the camp continues year by year to impress its lesson on 400 new campers, who in their turn pass on its spirit in the wider field of social life.

In all this the King has played a very active part. He spends the best part of two days in camp with his guests. He takes part in all the activities and thoroughly enters into the spirit of things. He chats with the boys, is photographed from almost every angle, bathes at each of the camp baths, and plays games strenuously until the time of his departure, which arrives all too soon. It is with great regret that the boys give their last cheer as the car disappears, but everyone feels quite sincerely that his visit has been the most enjoyable feature of the camp.

His Majesty sums up the position simply in these words, "I never fail to notice the the way they judge their fellows, not by social or economic standards, but by their characters. They value each other for what they are, not for what they are born."

The boys leave camp bubbling over with enthusiasm. They have found that the short space of a week has stripped them of all outward signs of class and that they are all good fellows with the common and simple desire not to be misunderstood. It is a valuable experience to all of them, to some it is an inspiration. Let the following quotations convey something of their feelings:—

A public schoolboy wrote:-

"As for the breaking down of class barriers, it was evident from the first that such artificialities exist only for the perverted intellects which create them. At camp it was inconceivable that the acknowledged differences of opportunity and achievement should affect common intercourse. Only those who have not been to camp discuss this moral; old campers are sure, not through exhortation and precept, but through the most breezy and energetic week of hilarity."

An industrial boy wrote:

"All good things come to an end, and camp broke up too soon for me. The farewells were short, but, being so many, they took up time; just a grip of the hand and the best of luck, and it is very unlikely we shall ever meet again. The chap I went with and I often speak of the camp holiday and the fine chaps we met there."

Controversy is inevitable. Nothing can prevent conflict of interest. Conflict, however, need not be bitter, and the camp is making a valuable contribution to better understanding, not only between classes, but between man and man. Controversy may be more kindly and more profitable as a result.

CORONATION FESTIVITIES.

By the time these lines are in print the various Committees will be down to their job of planning and organising the programme in connection with the Coronation festivities.

We still have our recollections of the previous Coronation, and it is up to each one of us to make this occasion one that will remain in the memories of the kiddies. This in itself should be enough to spur us on to even greater efforts than were made for the Silver Jubilee.

It is hoped that everyone will co-operate with this end in view.

A house-to-house collection will be made, and it is the ambition of those responsible to eclipse the magnificent total of the Silver Jubilee.

There is no doubt that the Carnival procession will mark the peak in the gaiety of the festivities. *Now* is the time to consider your part. Ideas can be worked out and preparations made well in advance, and if fancy dresses are started there will be no fear of the "Well, I haven't time," when we get nearer to the date.

It's just as well to expect the unexpected.

By fairness we establish the confidence that wins the co-operation of our friends.



Faced with writing the usual notes for the February issue of the Magazine, we find that we are without any copy of any sort or kind from any of our friends on the road. We should again like to appeal to all for any notes which they can send in from time to time. However trivial a matter may seem, it will probably be of very great interest to other readers elsewhere. This is the page where we try to give news of our representatives and van salesmen all over the country, and we want to make the appeal as wide as possible, so please do your very best.

At the time these notes are in print the Birmingham Grocers' Exhibition will be past and gone. We have an entirely new design for our Stand this year, and we are looking forward to trying out some new ideas preparatory to the Ideal Home Exhibition, at which we are showing for the first time since the war. The latter Exhibition was going to take place at the White City this year, during the period of the Coronation, but this vast new Exhibition building is not yet ready and, at short notice, the Ideal Home Exhibition had to be transferred to Olympia, and the date put forward to May 30th. We are looking forward to some very useful publicity.

We are on the look out for original ideas in connection with the Coronation. We already have several matters under consideration, and if any of our Representatives and Van Salesmen have any suggestions to make we should like to hear from them as soon as possible.

The issue of the new Recipe Book, "Keep House on Harris," has brought many interesting letters. One of the newspapers published a small paragraph concerning the booklet, and in this way distributed no fewer than 2,000 copies. Our trade friends have also been exceedingly helpful in sending out lists of customers for direct despatch of the

booklet. When one thinks this over it speaks well for the reputation of the Firm and also for the attractiveness of the booklet, that customers should go to the trouble of writing out by hand lists containing some 300 or 400 names and addresses. Any suggestions for improvements for future issues will always be welcome.

Relief-Salesman R. A. Bradbury has taken over Van 39, Huddersfield. We wish him every success.

J.H.G.

BRISTOL.

On Tuesday, the 12th January, we (the four Bristol Van Salesmen) received a visit from Mr. Gillett, when a very useful discussion took place.

After the business had been concluded Messrs. Coward, Rivers, Thomas, and George spent a very enjoyable evening in settling the issue at various games for which challenges had been put forward.

A.P.R.

* * * THE CATASTROPHE.

A Mexican and an American worked together in a Kansas mine.

The Mexican often had rabbit for dinner, and shared it with his workmate.

One day the American asked: "Where do you get rabbits, Jose? I can't find any."

"My wife, she get 'um," Jose replied.
"Ever' night they come round the house and make noise. She shoot 'um."

"Noise? Rabbits don't make a noise."
"Sure," asserted Jose, positively, "Go
Meow, Meow!"

If it were not tragic, it would be laughable, but be of good cheer. We are simply passing through a stage of existence, when many people have gone nutty. One of these days the pendulum will swing back, one of these days they will come to their senses.





A highly-successful Christmas whist drive, organised by Mr. F. H. Attfield and members of the Cricket Committee, took place at the Woodlands skittle alley on December 16th, 1936. It was most gratifying to the organisers to see such a splendid attendance, there being 59 tables—surely a record for any whist drive organised by the H.W.A. This, however, is not quite the whole story as some 30 or 40 people could not be accommodated, and, much to the regret of the Committee, had to go home disappointed.

It can be well imagined how crowded the skittle alley was when it is known that the door could hardly be opened whilst play was in progress, and players at one or two tables had to stand because there was no room for chairs.

Despite the somewhat cramped conditions everybody seemed very happy and intent on spending a jolly evening. Mr. Attfield made a very capable M.C.—no enviable task with such a big crowd. The carnival hats which were on sale were soon disposed of and provoked quite a good deal of fun, and as the evening proceeded it was quite evident that "things were going with a swing."

The prize-list was a very attractive one, consisting of gammons, chicken, legs of mutton, beef, coal, chocolates, and cigarettes. A special prize of a turkey for the highest score over 184 was not won.

A little before the whist drive came to an end the company was favoured by the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Redman, who expressed their pleasure at seeing such a splendid attendance. Mrs. Redman then presented the prizes to the winners, which were as follows:—Ladies—1, Mrs. H. Day,

184; 2, Mrs. Hopkins, 182; 3, Mrs. H. White, 181; 4, Mrs. F. E. Slade, 177; 5, Mrs. C. Stevens, 176; 6 (tie), Mrs. F. Blackford and Mrs. Haines, 173. Gentlemen—1, Mr. B. Bishop, 179; 2, Mr. W. J. Angell, 172; 3, Mr. J. Smellie, 171; 4, Mr. C. Freegard, 170; 5, Mr. D. J. Langley, 170 6, Mr. A. Whitelaw, 170.

The lady's prize for the lucky-numbered carnival hat was won by Miss M. Smith, whilst the gentleman's prize went to Mr. G. H. Hudson. Miss Margaret Hand held the winning ticket for the box of chocolates, whilst the cigarettes were won by Mr. H. Stephens. Two extra prizes offered in the competition went to Mr. N. Potter and Mr. A. E. Smith.

Mr. Redman made a few very appropriate observations on the result of the evening's play, and concluded by wishing everybody "A Happy Christmas," which evoked loud applause.

The skittle alley was then rapidly cleared for the dance which followed. This continued until two a.m. Mr. F. Stockdale and his band provided the music.

Thus came to an end a very successful event, and the Cricket Section wish to thank all those who helped to make this possible both by the sale of tickets and by their assistance at the whist drive itself.

HOCKEY.

December 12th saw our fixture with Purton scratched owing to inclement weather. The other 3 matches gave us the experience of every kind of result—a win, a draw, and a loss. On December 19th we went to Swindon and on the splendid ground of the G.W.R. lost the game by 2 goals to nil. On December 26th (Boxing Day) we enjoyed a high light in Hockey with a mixed match versus Holcombe. In one of the best games imaginable we were winners by 4 goals to 2. A big crowd (for Hockey) was present and the Christmas spirit pervaded spectators and players alike. Genial banter.

caustic remarks, and encouraging shouts from the spectators (these included a sprinkling of friends of our opponents) provoked a zip in the play, and although now and again (to use the words of a spectator) the effects of turkey and plum pudding seemed to slow down the movements of certain player or players, the game was on the whole a good one and the win by 4 goals to 2 was deserved. Kathleen Angell, Molly Angell, Alex. Dixon and Peter Cainey, were our scorers. On January 2nd at home versus Christchurch after being one up at half-time, we became one down and eventually effected a draw (3 all) just before time. Our scorer was K. Angell.

CLUB NOTES.

We are a long way short of 1,000 members in spite of two or three appeals through the Magazine and notices throughout the Factory. The number is now 600.

We trust this short reminder will have the desired effect, and that **every** employee who has not yet joined the H.W.A. will do so immediately.

"Snacks" may now be had at the Canteen at the nominal price of 4d. These consist of:-

Liver & Mashed Potato
Bread -- Tea or Soup
Sausage & Mashed Potato
Bread -- Tea or Soup
Fish & Chips or Egg & Chips
Bread -- Tea

and various other varieties. These Snacks provide a good meal, and it is hoped they will prove to be of considerable advantage and benefit to all Employees who are unable to go to their homes for their mid-day meals.

A sweet is provided with the Snacks if required, at an extra charge of 2d. only.

It really means that Employees can now obtain a good lunch for the reasonable price of 4d. or with sweet 6d.

Entries will soon be closed for the second Billiards and Snooker Competitions. The handicaps, just completed, proved a great success. See that the handicaps now being arranged are even more popular.

F.H.A.

Are you doing your bit towards making our Magazine a success. If not—why not?

A commercial traveller employed by a Scottish firm telegraphed from a distant town: "Held up by storm. Wire instructions."

The firm replied: "Start your annual holiday as from yesterday."—Evening News.

A man entered a drug store in a great hurry, and asked for two dozen quinine pills. "Do you want them to be put in a box, sir?" asked the clerk as he was counting them out. "Oh, no, certainly not," replied the customer. "I was thinking of rolling them home."—*Tatler*.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

LEAGUE TABLE AS AT JANUARY 29TH, 1937.

| | Played. | Won. | Lost. | Drawn. P | ts. Ob. |
|-------------------------|---------|------|-------|----------|---------|
| Boning and Rinding | 48 | 31 | 14 | 3 | 65 |
| Slaughter | 48 | 31 | 15 | 2 | 64 |
| Warehouse, Despatch, &c | 48 | 28 | 19 | 1 | 57 |
| Bacon Packing | 51 | 27 | 22 | 2 | 56 |
| Retort, &c. | 48 | 25 | 22 | 2 | 52 |
| Curing Rooms | 54 | 24 | 28 | 2 | 50 |
| Office | 48 | 22 | 24 | 2 | 46 |
| Kitchen | 45 | 22 | 23 | 0 | 44 |
| Printing, Lard, &c. | 45 | 21 | 24 | 0 | 42 |
| Engineers | 51 | 17 | 33 | 1 | 35 |
| Maintenance | 45 | 16 | 28 | 1 | 33 |
| Traffic, Basement, &c. | 45 | 15 | 30 | 0 | 30 |

Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. J. C. WHITE.



Our photograph this month is of Van Salesman J. C. White, of Bournemouth.

Mr. White commenced in Calne early in 1926 as a relief salesman, taking over the Bournemouth van at the beginning of 1927, where he is now happily settled with his wife and family.

Many of us sometimes think longingly as to how nice it must be to have one's activities centred in such pleasant surroundings as at Bournemouth. We wish Mr. White continued success.

There are not many precedents for the visit of a British sovereign to Rome. King Edward VII. went there in 1903, but to find another King of England doing so we have to go back to Canute, who was there when Pope John XIX. crowned the Emperor Conrad II. and his Consort in St. Peter's.

A chauffeur gave up his profession to become a jockey. One day he was given a somewhat restive and stubborn mount to ride, and the horse jibbed. In an absentminded moment the jockey dismounted and crawled underneath to see why it wouldn't go. That is the end of the story.—*Tatler*.

Wedding Bells.

At Chippenham, on December 12th, Miss Dorothy Slade was married to Mr. Jack Vines, of Bradenstoke. The bride was unattended. Her dress was of Margaret Rose pink crepe, long brown fur coat, velour hat to match, and brown shoes and stockings to tone. Miss Slade was almost 11 years in the Tin Department, and was the recipient of an Aladdin lamp.

At Calne Parish Church, on December 26th, Mr. Sidney Grainger was married to Miss Doris Rycraft, of London. The bride was given away by her brother, and wore a gown of ivory satin, coronet of orange blossom, and veil, and carried a sheaf of Madonna lilies. Four bridesmaids attended the bride, two dressed in powder blue crepe de chene, with silver shoes and fleshcoloured stockings, and wore head-dresses of silver and blue leaves, and carried bouquets of white chrysanthemums. The smaller bridesmaids wore ankle-length dresses of white silk, with pink sashes, silver shoes, and wreaths of pink and blue forget-me-nots and carried baskets of the same flowers, Mr. Grainger is attached to the Bacon Packing Department, and was the recipient of a wedding present from the staff.

At Chippenham, on December 24th, Miss Marjorie Little was married to Mr. Charles Newton, of Calne. The bride wore a powder blue georgette dress, navy blue coat, navy hat and shoes and stockings to tone. The bride was unattended.

Miss Little was four years in the Pie Department, and was the recipient of a copper curb and numerous smaller presents from the staff.

At Calne Parish Church, on December 26th, Miss Margaret Hand was married to Mr. James Gunning, of Calne. The bride was given away by her father, and wore a gown of crepe satin with a wreath and veil, and carried an ivory Prayer Book. Two bridesmaids attended the bride; they wore dresses of pale mauve crepe with hats to match, and carried Prayer Books. Miss Hand was seven years in the Pie Department, and was presented with a companion set and coal vase.

Photographic Notes.

THE RIGHT TITLE COMPLETES THE PICTURE HOW TO CONVERT YOUR ALBUM FROM DULLNESS TO A BOOK OF LIVELY INTEREST.

It is often difficult for amateurs to criticise their own photograph albums entirely disinterestedly. Scenes or figure studies which have appealed to the photographer are often uninteresting or even meaningless to a stranger glancing through the album unless the pictures have been given titles, or a word or two of explanation is written underneath.

It is here that so many amateurs fail to do justice to their prints. After taking an excellent snapshot they will paste it into their album and then leave it at that.

Yet the title is an important finishing touch to any photograph, and is frequently the means of transforming an album of apparently meaningless pictures into one which will interest anybody looking at it.

Titles from your Favourite Poets.

A line or two of poetry can sometimes be used to supply an appropriate title for a well-taken picture. For example, instead of simply printing the name of the county or village in which a scene has been photographed, a far more pleasing and artistic finish can be given to the picture if an appropriate line from Tennyson, Wordsworth, or one of the photographer's favourite poets is written beneath.

A friend of mine who is a lover of Shakespeare and Browning has found suitable quotations from those authors' works for nearly every picture in his album. A charming landscape taken in the spring has the following quotation: "Oh, to be in England now that April's there," while on another page a picture of his schoolboy son with satchel on his back is titled, "Creeping like snail unwillingly to school."

Making the Album Complete.

This is a method of adding interest to the snapshot album which should appeal to a

large number of Kodak owners. Those, however, who are not poetry lovers will, no doubt, be able to find suitable titles, humorous or otherwise, which will make their

photographs more interesting.

The right title for the right picture is a thing everyone should bear in mind, and until it is found the album is not complete.

Friends Elsewhere.



SKITTLES SECTION.

We concluded the first half of our skittles programme on Friday, 11th December, 1936, when we made our annual visit to the Territorial Club.

In the past it has never been our good fortune to inflict a defeat on the "Terriers," and on this occasion our members were rather loath to give an opinion as to the result. Anyhow, our men went to the alley very optimistic, but the first leg found them nine pins behind their opponents.

This, however, did not damp the keenness of our team, who greatly improved during the latter end of the second leg, which they won by 16 pins. Although the margin of seven pins is very small, it greatly encouraged our players, and although the soldiers did their best to avoid defeat, they could not break up the consistent bowling of our men, who won the last leg by 22 pins, and thereby secured their first victory over their opponents. Scores:—

Chippenham 74 91 102—267 Pins. Territorial Club... 85 75 80 —240 ,

CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL DANCE.

Organised by the Welfare Association, a successful Christmas carnival dance was held in the Town Hall on Saturday, 19th December, 1936.

From 8 p.m. to midnight a large company danced to music provided by the Embassy Dance Band. Among those present were Captain C. H. Smith and Mrs. Smith.

During the evening various competition dances were arranged, and to the successful

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competitors Mrs. Smith kindly presented the prizes.

The entire arrangements were carried out by the Committee, assisted by the lady members of the office staff, who were responsible for the decorations, which greatly helped to provide an atmosphere of gaiety.

ILLNESS.

We are sorry to report we have three of our factory staff on the sick list this month:—Messrs. W. Thomas, W. Harper, and W. Webb. We wish these gentlemen a speedy recovery to their former health; and also Mr. E. Tucker, of our office staff.

It is to our regret that Mr. A. Day has not been sufficiently restored to health to commence his duties, but we hope he will be able to resume in a short time.

We welcome back Mr. J. Bullock, after several weeks in hospital.

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At our Annual Benevolent Meeting, held in December, it was reported that there was a balance in hand on the General Fund of £16 7s. 6d., and on the Special Fund £9 5s. 3d. This result was considered very satisfactory in view of the demands made during the year. It was unanimously agreed to invite Mr. Bodinnar to become Life President of the society, to which we are pleased to report he has agreed. Our grateful thanks are due to our Chief for the valuable help and sympathetic assistance which he has given us.

We congratulate the following upon being elected to serve on the Works Council for the coming year:—Messrs. B. Flynn, F. Gallop, R. Haines, J. Pearce, B. Tubb.

Our congratulations to J. Taylor upon the Christmas present he received when his wife presented him with a bonny boy.

We are sorry that "Nick" Carter has

not yet recovered sufficiently from his illness to enable him to resume work, but we are glad that he is making progress and trust that he will soon be with us again. We are sorry, too, that Len Anderson has had to undergo an operation, from which we wish him a speedy recovery.

EASTLEIGHAN.

We are pleased to announce that our first dance was held at the Parish Hall, Eastleigh, on December 9th, from 8 till 12 o'clock. There were about 100 present, and the music was supplied by the "Melody Makers" Band, under the direction of Jan Ridge. We were very pleased to see such a large proportion of older people there, and we hope the programme, which contained many of the older dances, was as pleasing to them as it was to us.

Mr. Taylor was a very welcome visitor during the evening, and at his suggestion an elimination fox trot was held, and the lucky winners were Miss M. White, of Bishopstoke, and Mr. E. Davies, of Eastleigh. Mr. Taylor kindly gave the prizes himself. An interval was called at ten o'clock for refreshments, which our lads attacked heartily. During the interval Mr. Merritt obliged with a song entitled, "When the Poppies Bloom Again," and was loudly applauded. The dance was concluded at twelve o'clock with "Auld Lang Syne" and "The King." We should like to thank all those who assisted to make the dance a success, especially Mr. Fred Martin, who was an excellent doorkeeper. A microphone was fitted on the stage, and this also helped to make the evening a jolly one.

An onlooker noticed one or two things during the evening, and here are two things which he observed:—(1) Who was the gentleman whose young lady had to be in by ten o'clock, so he asked another "kind soul" to see her home? (2) Who were the young men who bought tickets for the dance and arrived about 11.30 p.m.? And what were they doing in the meantime?

In conclusion we should like to thank Mr. S. Tidby for being such a capable M.C. E.A.S.

The largest tree in the Eastern Hemisphere, if not in the world, is a monster chestnut standing at the foot of Mount Etna. The circumference of the main trunk at 60ft. from the ground is 212ft.



SPORTS.

SKITTLES—HIGHBRIDGE AND DISTRICT LEAGUE

We are sorry we are unable to report much progress of our team in the League. They are like "Ole Man River," just keep rolling along; but they have their compensations in that if they do not secure a win at least they make a jolly sporty evening of it.

We have pleasure in giving individual scores to date, fifteen matches being played in all:—

| | NO. | TOTAL | |
|-----------------|----------|--------|-------|
| NAME. | MATCHES. | SCORE. | AVG. |
| A. H. Hill | 13 | 731 | 56.23 |
| J. Young | 1 | 55 | 55 |
| E. Cann | | 517 | 51. 7 |
| G. Pearse | | 360 | 51. 4 |
| W. J. Pople | 6 | 307 | 51.16 |
| H. B. Blackmore | 9 | 451 | 50. 1 |
| H. Ham | | 100 | 50 |
| A. Solomon | | 199 | 49.75 |
| C. B. Shier | 7 | 344 | 49.14 |
| H. Hardwidge | 11 | 538 | 48. 9 |
| R. C. Lynham | 9 | 432 | 48 |
| W. J. Young | 10 | 478 | 47.8 |
| A. C. Chedzoy | 7 | 334 | 47. 7 |
| H. D. Smith | 7 | 331 | 47.28 |
| H. Beasley | 2 | 93 | 46. 5 |
| R. Cobb | | 219 | 43. 8 |
| F. Pople | 7 | 298 | 42. 5 |
| H. Marsh | 0 | 123 | 41 |
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"ANNE KIDLEY "CUP COMPETITION.

The third round of this competition was played on Friday evening, 18th December, and as will be seen by the following result there is keen play this season and we think it very doubtful for anyone to forecast who the lucky winner may be, as the margin between each competitor is so small, and

no-one appears to have a great advantage over another. Result :—

| T | Total So | core. | Score. | |
|-------------------|----------|-------|---------|------|
| Name. 1s | | | 3rd Rd. | Ttl. |
| 1.—H. Hardwidge | | 121 | 55 | 176 |
| 2.—A. H. Hill | | 119 | 55 | 174 |
| H. Beasley . | | 105 | 69 | 174 |
| 3.—G. Pearse | | 116 | 51 | 167 |
| 4.—C. B. Shier . | | 112 | 54 | 166 |
| H. Neath | | 108 | 58 | 166 |
| 5.—W. J. Pople . | | 115 | 49 | 164 |
| 6.—W. H. G. Your | ng, Snr. | 110 | 50 | 160 |
| 7.—H. C. Marsh . | | 112 | 47 | 159 |
| W. J. Young | | 105 | 54 | 159 |
| 8.—J. Swaine | | 108 | 46 | 154 |
| 9.—R. Hooper | | 106 | 47 | 153 |
| 10.—J. Young | | 99 | 51 | 150 |
| 11.—H. Ham | | 101 | 43 | 144 |
| R. Gibbs | | 81 | 63 | 144 |
| 12.—F. Pople | | 93 | 50 | 143 |
| 13.—A. Holley | | 113 | _ | 113 |
| 14.—H. D. Smith . | | 108 | _ | 108 |
| 15.—E. Cann | | 106 | _ | 106 |
| 16.—R. C. Lynham | | 105 | _ | 105 |
| 17.—H. B. Blackmo | ore | 101 | _ | 101 |
| 18.—A. Solomon . | | 94 | | 94 |
| 19.—A. C. Chedzoy | | 92 | | 92 |
| 20.—C. Morrisey . | | 82 | | 82 |
| | | | C.B. | S. |

We are very glad to welcome Fred Perham back again after his illness, and we hope he will continue in better health during the coming year.

Messrs. W. Gunningham, C. King, H. Strange, and W. H. G. Young, junr., are still on the sick list, and to them all we would wish a speedy return to normal health and early resumption of their duties.

The Welfare Association members are now looking forward to their annual gathering, which is being held on the 30th January, when it is hoped to have the pleasure of welcoming our President, Mr. Bodinnar, and other of our friends whom we do not see very often. We are departing from our usual custom this year by having a supper and dance, and we hope we shall have a jolly time as usual.

R.C.L.

* * * TOO BAD.

Doctor: I am sorry to say you have double pneumonia.

Aberdeen Patient (anxiously): Does that mean two prescriptions?



Last month Leeds was thrilled to hear of the generous gift of £200,000 to the Leeds University by Mr. Frank Parkinson, England's "shyest millionaire." Mr. Parkinson began his romantic career at the age of 21, when he drew his life savings of £21 from the bank to start his own business as an electrical engineer. Since then he has amassed one of the biggest industrial fortunes in Yorkshire.

The money will be used for building a further main architectural feature of the whole University buildings, which now house some of the most up-to-date research laboratories in England.

Research workers at the laboratory of the Wool Industries Research Association, in Leeds, have found a process for producing unshrinkable wool. It only remains now for the association to complete business arrangements whereby its members will be able to take up the process on a commercial scale.

Leeds may thus add another industry to its already numerous list. The more normal trades range from playing-cards to ploughs, and from surgical instruments to bunting. From Leeds come sausage skins which clothe sausages on both sides of the Atlantic. Clay pipes are still produced by the thousand. Gold beating (the only surviving concern of its kind in Yorkshire), the transformation of air into oxygen, the making of alarm clocks, and the ancient practice of embalming. These are a few of the curious trades of the city.

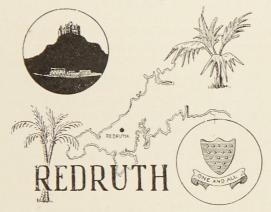
And now we might repeat the story of the Yorkshireman who had been told to take up golf. He went along to the golf course, engaged the professional to show him how to play, and said, "Nah, then!"

The professional told him all he had to do was to hit the ball on to the green right away in the distance. The Yorkshireman took his coat off, spat on his hands, and aimed a terrific blow at the ball. It went sailing away into the blue and came to rest right in the middle of the green. "That right?" he asked; and the professional said that it was a very good shot indeed.

So they went on up to the green, and the Yorkshireman said, "Well, what do ah do next?" "Why, you hit it into this little hole," said the professional.

"Well, I'll be blowed," roared the Yorkshireman, "Why couldn't tha tell me that afore I hit it fust time?"

How's that one, Calne golfers, for the nineteenth hole?

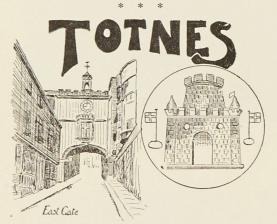


Nineteen thirty-six has passed away. Every year is eventful; for as time does not stand still, neither do individuals or nations. Some years are more notable than others and 1936 will surely rank in history in the forefront of those marked by important happenings. The various crises and many anxieties have, however, been met by a calmness, strength, and unity of purpose which only need to be maintained to enable the country to face the future with confidence as well as hope.

The difficulties of the past year have not been confined to our national life, but in the realm of commerce and business, our leaders have known what it is to journey "through the wilderness." Particularly has this been the case in our own industry. Our support is whole-heartedly extended to our Directors in all their endeavours on our behalf.

Christmas in Cornwall this year reflected none of the troubles of our time, for it was one of the happiest for many years. The weather was particularly mild and dry. Seaside places report an outdoor Christmas, and those who went bathing on Christmas morning found the water quite warm. On Boxing morning thousands of people assembled on the historic hill of Carn Brea, in ideal weather, to witness the annual meet of the Four Burrow Hunt, and in the afternoon a holiday crowd witnessed the customary local Rugby Derby between Redruth and Camborne. This must be seen to be really appreciated, and even then it is necessary to be a native to enter into the real spirit of "give and take" Rugby. Redruth won by 14 points to nil.

We are sorry L. Threllfall has been ill during Christmas, but are glad to hear he is much better.



The Totnes Bacon Factory was built and opened in November, 1912, by Messrs. C. & T. Harris & Co., Ltd., of Calne, and commenced trading under the name of the West of England Bacon Company. The bacon produced was known as the "Sunset" brand.

The buildings shown in the foreground of the photographs on Page 40 are all new, and were added to the ivy-covered stone building in the back-ground, which, prior to 1912, was a flour-mill store, and was then converted to cellars, a chill room, and stores. The site was a pretty, secluded position, close to the far-famed river Dart. It was, until this year, approached by a private road, which ran alongside the Mill Leat. The latter draws its water from the Dart and flows close to the Factory walls, being controlled by the sluice on the left-hand side of the mill.

A number of readers will remember the pretty islet in the leat and the row of shady

elm and ash trees along the opposite side of the private road. These have now all gone since the ever-increasing amount of traffic passing through the narrow streets of Totnes rendered it necessary for the Devon County Council to make a by-pass road to relieve the constant congestion of the streets. This road, part of which is seen in the foreground, is practically completed and is to be opened early in 1937. The pillars and ornamental railing by the water present a nice appearance and should draw the attention of all tourists to the Factory. The offices, which are well lighted and have a pleasant outlook, are approached by an outside staircase.

The Mill is owned by the Bacon Company and supplies barley meal, pig rations, and the various feeding stuffs to meet the farmers' requirements, the machinery of which is all run by water power from the leat, and a water turbine also supplies auxiliary power for the Factory. The Mill has always been known as the Town Mills, and its existence can be traced back in the annals of Totnes for several hundred years.

The Company has a private railway siding at the rear of the buildings, where pigs and various commodities are received and despatched.

J.N.P.

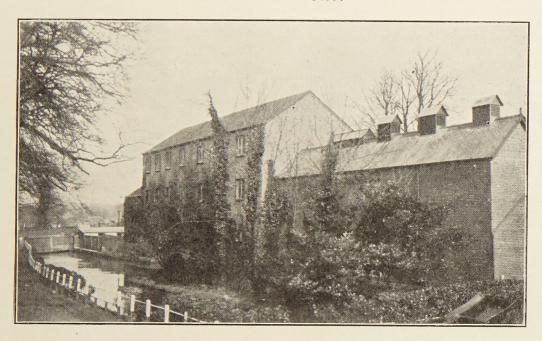
In 1795, the rate of pay of the private soldier was raised from 8d. to 1s. a day, and he had to wait 122 years for another increase. Under Henry V., the archers' rate of pay was 6d. a day. The King, as security, covenanted to deliver jewels to the value of the money due to the archers, the jewels to be returned at any time the King should choose to redeem them. When Henry died many of his jewels were in the hands of captains.

"And when are they getting married?"
"Well, she won't marry, till he has paid his debts, and he can't pay his debts till she marries him—so, who knows?"—Evening News.

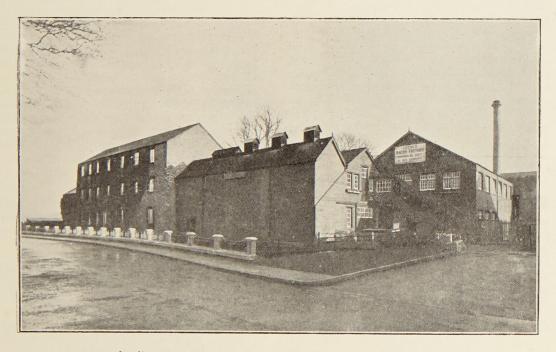
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Two waiters at a seaside hotel were holding a confabulation during breakfast. "See that bloke over in the window table?" said the first waiter. "Well, 'e's an actor." "'Ow d'ye know that?" queried the other. "Easy. As soon as I asked him if he'd have an egg—he ducked."—*Tatler*.

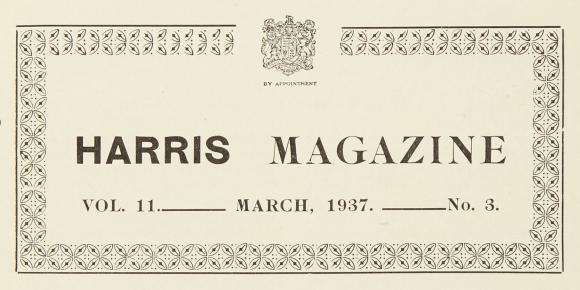
TOTNES FACTORY.



Before the construction of the by-pass road.



As it appears after the construction of the new road.





E hope to receive the increased help from our readers for which we appealed in our last issue. Our branch contributors in most cases continue to support us loyally, although there has been some slight falling off in certain cases. We are heartened by increased interest on the part of our friends on the road and members of our demonstration staff.

In Calne there is plenty of room for direct help from the departments of the parent organisation.

We are specially anxious to receive

items of Calne news and any paragraphs will be gratefully received. Secretaries of the various sections of the H.W.A. are asked to supply news of past and forthcoming events regularly so that the Magazine shall be in years to come a reliable record of the social life of the House of Harris. In the meantime we invite our readers to take advantage of our offer to insert notices of articles which they wish to sell or exchange. When sending your notice please state the name of the distributor from whom you purchase your Magazine.



BY the time these lines appear in print I hope to have completed my round of week-end visits to each Branch Factory, which I have undertaken since the beginning of the year.

May I set on record my gratitude for the warmth of greetings displayed in every place, and may I reiterate what I have said in each place, that, although we have a difficult corner to turn, we are going to accomplish it.

I cannot over stress the anxiety and burden which have fallen upon the Directors. Silly rumours have got round that men are to be discharged in large numbers. There is absolutely no ground for this. We are going through a time of the year when pigs are always in short supply. This is very largely due to the seasonal demand for pork. There has, of course, been some uncertainty in the minds of Pig Producers, owing to the breakdown of the Pigs Marketing Scheme, but we are not finding that an undue number of pigs are being immaturely slaughtered. There will be more pigs later on. I write this word in this way to, as far as is possible, re-assure all our friends.

Some immediate action is necessary on the part of the Government. We are doing our part to ensure that that action is forthcoming. Meantime, we are loyally abiding by the Determination in regard to the purchase of pigs as laid down by the Pigs Marketing Board. The price we are having to pay for pigs is resulting in heavy losses on bacon.

This is essentially a time for mutual understanding, patience, and sympathy with each other's points of view. The Directors, in

carrying their own problems, are endeavouring to solve yours. A suitable response from you all is essential.

The Company has made many uncalled for gestures in the past. Taking all our Factories together, the contributions to the Bonus Scheme and Savings Scheme ever since their inception cost at least £100,000. The results are known to many in comfortable savings accounts, the purchase of their own house, and in many other ways.

The Bonus Scheme will be continued for 1937, if it is at all possible. If it is not we shall notify you. We hope, and believe, that this may not have to be done.

But let me say again, this Bonus must never be confused with wages. It has nothing to do with standard or any other rates of wages. It was a free, and I think I may say, generous gesture to all concerned to encourage efficiency and saving. So long as it is received in that spirit it will serve the purpose for which it was intended.

We are leaving no stone unturned to secure a larger and more regular supply of raw material for our Factories. The problems are many. We have taken our part in formulating what we believe would be the solution of the troubles of the Pig Producer, the Bacon Curer, and the Consumer.

We shall continue to work in the hope that these troubles may soon find a permanent solution upon lines of long term security to all concerned.





Death on the Roads.

I T is said that relatively few people take in what they read. Does that matter so long as what they read does not take them in?

Towards the end of last year a statement got into the London Press to the effect that death through road accidents had been reduced heavily during the year, and I incorporated this Press account into an article. And I did so with some confidence, because over those parts of London which I frequent the estimate would be very correct. for there has been a very big drop in Central London. The City, Westminster, Holborn, Marylebone, Paddington, Finsbury, and also at Watford. All these districts return a big decline in accidents.

How comes it about then that over the entire country the actual reduction shows a paltry drop of 38 in deaths? I think the reason is due to places where there is ribbon building and yet no speed limit. One such place has been much in the London Press this year. Before the War I knew the part as Wormholt Farm. There was then no farm; I suppose there was once. But I knew it as an open space given over to cricket clubs. It is a bit of land between Wormwood Scrubbs and the main Uxbridge Road. The main Uxbridge Road got choked with traffic, so a road called the Westway was made to relieve the pressure on the main road. Now notice this, it was made up as a very wide road for motor traffic, and as such it should have remained. But shortly after the road was completed a housing estate was started along its length—the Wormholt Housing Estate, a very large number of small houses were put up and four (perhaps six) big Council Schools for

the children. Meantime this heavily-used road remained uncontrolled. Some hundreds of kiddies had to go to and fro between their homes and the schools, tiny tots some of them across a very wide road with traffic going both ways at an average speed of 50 m.p.h. It seems to me that all this was just asking for trouble. And the trouble has come right enough, for there has been a whole batch of accidents to the children.

Now, after the usual time lag and after so much damage has been done, there is going to be a change. But, although there has been such an outcry about Westway, there are several other places as bad, or even worse. There is a spot on the Peckham Road, where there have been 150 accidents this past year. Mitcham is just as bad. Many—a very great many—of the accidents are to small children, and one begins to wonder how long this sort of thing is to continue.

I have, indeed, seen this week details about school attendance in London. Now there are many more houses, thousands more, but the school attendance has actually shown a decline. Children are, in fact, being killed who should be the future citizens of London. This fact is only just starting to emerge, but obviously it is one of tremendous importance to the future well-being of the State.

So the New Year starts with this road problem more complicated than ever before.

R.E.H.

Mrs. Newlywed: I want a pound of mincemeat, and do be sure to cut it from a tender young mince.

C. & T. HARRIS (CALNE) LTD., SAVINGS SCHEME.

A General Meeting, of which notice had been given to all Depositors, was held at the Calne Factory on Friday, 29th January, 1937, and we have pleasure in printing a copy of the Balance Sheet which was then submitted, approved and adopted :-

BALANCE SHEET, 31st DECEMBER, 1936.

| LIABILITIES. | (| | 2 | ASSETS. | | | |
|----------------------------|--------|----|----|---|---------|----|---|
| Amount due to Depositors, | £ | S. | а. | Cash due ha I loude Danh I to | £ | S. | d |
| including Interest to date | 73,321 | 11 | 5 | Cash due by Lloyds Bank, Ltd Current Account, as per | | | |
| Reserve for Interest | 329 | | | Cash Book | 3,717 | 1 | (|
| | | | | Investments at Cost:— | | | |
| | | | | $£40,000 \ 3\frac{1}{2} \text{ per}$ | | | |
| | | | | cent. War Loan 40,333 3 0 | | | |
| | | | | £7,000 $3\frac{1}{2}$ per | | | |
| | | | | cent. Conver- | | | |
| | | | | sion Loan 5,337 18 0 | | | |
| | | | | £11,080 10s. 6d. | | | |
| | | | | $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. | | | |
| | | | | Consolidated Stock 8,993 1 3 | | | |
| | | | | 8,993 1 3 | 54,664 | 9 | 2 |
| | | | | (The value of these Invest- | 04,004 | 4 | 0 |
| | | | | ments at middle market | | | |
| | | | | prices on 31st December, | | | |
| | | | | 1936, was £59,009 5s. 10d.) | | | |
| | | | | Secured Deposit with C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd | 15 000 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | Interest on Investments | 15,000 | 0 | 0 |
| | | | | accrued to date | 243 | 18 | 9 |
| | | | | Claim for Refund of Income | -10 | 10 | U |
| | | | | Tax | 25 | 13 | 6 |
| £ | 73,650 | 16 | 0 | | £73,650 | 16 | 0 |

AUDITORS' REPORT.

I have examined the above Balance Sheet with the Books Records and Vouchers of the Fund, and find it to be in accordance therewith.

The correctness of the Cash at Bank has been confirmed by reference to a Certificate received from the Bankers.

The Certificates of the Investments as set out above are registered in the names of four Trustees, and are held by Lloyds Bank Limited for safe custody.

I hereby certify that 99 per cent. of the Depositors' Pass Books have been examined with the Ledger Accounts.

106, Edmund Street, Birmingham. 19th January, 1937.

(Signed), JOHN T. LEWIS. Of AGAR, BATES, NEAL & CO., Chartered Accountants.

Wiltshire Bacon Company, Ltd.

Annual Social and Presentation of Long Service Medals by the Deputy-Chairman and Managing Director, J. F. Bodinnar, Esq., J.P.

THE seventh annual social organised by the Committee of the Staff Welfare Association was held in St. Paul's Parish Hall, on Saturday evening, the 6th inst., when about 150 were present, including employees with their wives and children and the following visitors from Calne: -Stanley North-Smith, Esq., Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Bunston, Miss G. E. Fellows, Mr. J. H. Gillett, Mr. and Mrs. F. I. Nash, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Olsen, and Mr. E. Stevens.

The proceedings opened with selections by the Embassy Band (leader, Harold Church), followed by songs by Miss D. Allen, Mr. H. Eldridge, and Captain C. Herbert Smith (Mr. J. Swayne accompanist), and two sketches by two of the factory lads, C. Lucas and R. Wood, entitled "Sandy the Solicitor" and "Sandy the Doctor.

At about eight p.m. Mr. and Mrs. Bodinnar, who were accompanied by Miss Bodinnar, arrived at the hall, and were received with great enthusiasm and hearty cheers. After an interval for refreshments Mr. Long extended a cordial welcome to Mr., Mrs., and Miss Bodinnar, and expressed the hope that the former would be blessed with good health to enable him to carry on the great work he was doing, and had been doing for several years past, with a view to establishing and stabilising the pig and bacon industries of the country on a sound, permanent, and equitable basis, both for pig producers and bacon curers, the success of which was of such vital importance to us all. Mr. Long welcomed the friends from the parent Company at Calne, and spoke of pleasant relations with them for nearly 20 years, and of the help and assistance or advice given when required. In a personal note, the speaker said, "I am to be presented with a gold medal with a bar for 45 years' service, but the recipients of medals whom I shall most envy are those who will be receiving their first medal for 20 years' service. I envy them, because if they live to stand in the position in which I stand to-night as regards years of service, they have 25 years a quarter of a century-before them. I envy them because during my 45 years' service I have always been happy, interested, and contented in my work whatever it has been, and because my relations with you all connected with the Chippenham factory, whatever your job, with our travelling staff, with our pig producers, and our trade customers throughout the country, have always been so happy that I wish it were possible to put the clock back and live those years over again. But we can expect to go through this world only once. If, therefore, there is any little kindness or sympathy we can show to a fellow creature, let us do it now; let us not defer it or neglect it. Let us put aside to sink into the forgotten past any little misunderstandings and differences which have arisen, and endeavour in the future to live together and work together in unity and harmony, constantly striving for the welfare and benefit of those individuals with whom we come into daily contact, always remembering that we shall not pass this way again"—(hear, hear, and applause).

Captain C. H. Smith referred to the Pigs Scheme, saving that there had been not only in the bacon factories, but also among many feeders, a large amount of capital spent towards the production of a large number of pigs, and it did seem most unfortunate, after all these years and the amount of work and the amount of money which had been passing, that this Marketing Scheme should be in any danger of falling to the ground. He read, however, in the "Wiltshire Gazette," that at any rate the Pigs Marketing Scheme was not dead yet, and it gave every indication that something was going to be arranged regarding the present situation of affairs. Perhaps they would make good out of evil, and might see something better to help them along in the great industry in which everyone in that room was so deeply interested—(hear, hear).

Mr. Bodinnar, who was greeted with prolonged applause, referred to the fact that the gathering was being held at a time of the year when supplies of pigs were usually short in the bacon factories, and that, in spite of the existence of the Marketing Schemes, the problem of providing equal quantities of pigs to the factories for each month of the year had not been solved. He felt that those who were engaged with him in the work of the various factories under his control must have felt some anxiety as

to the effect of the declaration made by the Bacon Marketing Board that pig contracts for 1937 were null and void. He asked those present whether any legislation or any marketing scheme which resulted in a total absence of pigs for 54 curers could be looked upon as being truly national legislation. If the contracts had not been put out of existence, the problem facing at least 54 curers in the country would have been whether they were to break the law and get pigs by illegal means, or to go out of business altogether. In addition to that, there was a large number of curers all over the country who had been successful in obtaining only a very small number of pigs in their factories. He was sure that everybody concerned had realised the

SERIOUSNESS OF WHAT HAD TO BE DONE

but held the personal view that any course of procedure which meant that certain men who, through no fault of their own, had either to run the risk of being put in the

wrong or putting up the shutters on their business could not represent a conception of truly English treatment of national interests. That was why the contracts had been ended. Mr. Bodinnar went on to say that for the time being the industry was in a state of flux, but an attempt was being made to keep the Pigs Marketing Scheme alive, while the necessary alterations were being made to put that and the related schemes upon an equitable basis for all. He held that such an equitable basis should cover not only the legitimate demands of the loyal pig producers who had supported the scheme, but those of the bacon curers and the consumers. There could be no satisfactory scheme which did not think of the man who produced the goods, of the men employed on the farm and in the factory, and of the men who processed and manufactured the raw material into English bacon. Long term proposals calculated to give confidence to all branches of the industry had been submitted on the previous



PRESENTATION OF WEDDING PRESENTS TO MR. AND MRS. D WOODLEY.

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day to the Minister of Agriculture by the Bacon Marketing Board. He considered that it was now up to the Government to implement, in the light of the conditions of to-day, and not forgetting the rising cost of food stuffs, the pledge it made in June, 1935. "We know (Mr. Bodinnar said) what is necessary to solve these troublous problems. We believe that the solution should be based upon some assurance for a term of years, so that during that time there should be no room for uncertainty in planning for production and distribution on the part of the pig producer and bacon curer. It is now necessary for a plan to be evolved that will be applied for a sufficient number of years to enable the whole industry to expand in size and to develop into an efficiency which is at least equal to that of any bacon-producing country in the world." Mr. Bodinnar went on to refer to the efficiency bonus scheme which had been in operation in the factory for 12 years, and spoke of the huge sums of money that this scheme and the savings scheme had cost the companies in all the factories. He held that if that money had enabled people to save and be prudent, constituting, as it did, a free gift unconnected with wages in any way, the company had made a good investment.

Mr. Bodinnar, who had a few cheery and encouraging words for each recipient, then presented Long Service Medals as follows:—

Silver Medal (20 years' service).—Robert Edwards, Reginald Kington, and John Halliday.

Silver Medal, with 1 bar (25 years' service).—George Hazell and Fred Coleman.
Silver Medal, with 2 bars (30 years' service).—I. Cleall and E. Eggleston.

Gold Medal (40 years' service).—A. H. Holley.

Gold Medal, with 1 bar (45 years' service).—Ernest Taylor and W. V. Long.

Gold Medal, with 2 bars (50 years' service).—T. H. Bullock.

Mr. Bodinnar then made a presentation to Mr. and Mrs. D. Woodley, who were recently married, and addressing the happy couple said:—"I understand that you have both been doing a job of work in connection with the factory and that now you have decided to join up in other ways, and I wish you both every possible happiness. I hope your years will be very long together and that you may find the true secret of living

together, of learning how to rub shoulders, how to put up with each other, and how to love each other. I have to hand to you some presents which have been provided by the works staff and management, and hope they will be of service to you in your home together. May God bless you both. My congratulations."

There was a large Christmas tree for the children, and each boy and girl received a present from the tree, kindly handed to them by Mrs. Bodinnar. Mr. T. H. Bullock (factory foreman) proposed a hearty vote of thanks to Mrs. Bodinnar for her kindness in handing the presents to the children, which was received with acclamation.

Mr. J. G. Hooper (works manager), in a few well-chosen words, proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. J. Swayne, accompanist, the Band, the artistes, and to Miss J. Elgar and her willing helpers who had been responsible for the refreshments and who had worked so hard behind the scenes.

Mr. J. H. Gillett, on behalf of the Calne visitors, said it had been a great pleasure to them to join their Chippenham friends that evening. They were constantly in touch over the telephone, and it was very nice to meet together in this way. To him, personally, it was quite like old times to be amongst them once again.

The remainder of the evening was spent in games and dancing, and the following were the prize-winners:—Lucky chair, Mr. W. Teagle; musical arms, ladies, Mrs. H. Smith; gentlemen, Mr. J. G. Hooper; statuary dance, Mr. R. Ambrose and Miss G. Woolnough.

The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save the King" brought a very happy evening to a close shortly after 11.30 p.m.

Mr. B. F. Pinfield was a very efficient M.C.

"What an odd room this is with no ceiling and open to the sky."

"Yes, it's the shower-bath room. The house was built by a Scotsman."—Evening News.

Potatoes seldom grow larger than marbles in Greenland.

Nineteen cities in the British Isles have Lord Mayors.

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"Slaughtering—Apart from Work!"

THE Slaughter Department have at the present moment the proud and unequalled distinction of holding the following Inter-Departmental Cups and Honours, attained in the "Harris" Field of Sport :-

Winners of Skittle League, 1935-1936, Cup and Medals.

Winners of Football Tournament, 1936, the "Bodinnar" Cup.

Winner of Tug-of-war, Flower Show, 1936,

Winners of Cricket Tournament, 1936. Winners of Jazz Band Contest, Carnival,

Winners of Snooker Handicap, 1936-1937. Winners of Billiards League, 1936-1937.

"We know not when fortune's wheel

You will all agree that the little sentence above is only too true. That is one reason for this report appearing now. No-one can possibly begrudge the Slaughter House their record. It has been achieved by enthusiasm, grit, and whatever luck was going, these two great things turned it in our favour.

The fights for these honours have been clean and sporting. They haven't been walk-overs-far from it. Every cup and honour we hold has been won fairly and squarely. Not much in it at times, but the tremendous keenness displayed by those taking part has brought its reward. Another very big thing that helped a lot was the enthusiasm shown by those not actually taking part in these various tournaments. Their enthusiasm was as great as the competitors and, so really, we could not do anything else but win.

The starting of this record was the winning of the Skittle Cup in March, 1936. Then the Football Tournament came along. Although fielding a very young team, the never-say-die spirit of these youngsters, aided by a rather strong vocal chorus, enabled us to win the day, and so we had two cups. This only spurred us on more. Everyone was saying, "Inter-Departmental Tug-of-war next—we have got to win it" We did. That made us three cups up, but we earned them. At that time there were no more cups to be won, but that didn't stop us from winning the honour of Cricket Champions. That was in the summer of 1936. So we continue. The next thing we hear is Jazz Band Contest Winners, Carnival, 1937-Slaughter. A good start to another year. Hello! here we are again, January, 1937, an



All-Slaughter Snooker Final. Another month has gone and February is here with one more honour. Billiards League Champions, 1936-1937.

Note.—It is hoped to publish a photograph of competitors who have won these honours for their department in next month's Magazine. A word to our departmental rivals, "All the best."

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SKITTLES.—R. Robbins (captain), A. Haddrell, G. Kinsey, S. Togoood, F. Bowyer, W. Richens, B. Dean, P. Hillier, B. Porter, G. King, F. Culley, L. Bewley.

FOOTBALL.—E. Butler, P. Davis, H. Williams, F. Webb, H. Angell (captain), S. Grev, D. Laye, L. Bewley, L. Offer, C. Gale, F. Cleverley.

CRICKET.—H. Angell, S. Toogood, F. Cleverley, H. Cleverley (captain), G. Kinsey, W. Arkell, D. Culliford, D. Lave, W. Smith, R. Brewer, W. Angell.

Tug-of-war.—H. Cleverley (captain), R. Drew, J. Rutty, H. Chard, S. Baker, C. Gale, G. Kinsey, T. Kirton.

BILLIARDS.—S. Toogood (captain), W. Arkell, R. Penny, A. Clark.

SNCOKER.—S. Toogood.

IAZZ BAND.—Mrs. Wright, Miss E. Kingston, Miss D. Clark, Miss M. Edwards, H. Rutty (organiser), I. Burgess, F. Lovelock, L. Poole.



| SILVER MEDAL. C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. | SILVER MEDAL WITH ONE BAR. | Chippenham. CLEALL, J. C |
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| SCULL, C. W 20 | C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. NEWIS, C | EGGLESTON, E 30 |
| RICHENS, W. H 20 DREW, A. J 20 | HILL, W. B. S 25 | SILVER MEDAL AND |
| SMART, W. E 20 | FELL, H. J | THREE BARS. C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. |
| STEPHENS, S 20 | CULLEY, P. W 25 | BOAZE, A. J 35 |
| BOLLAND, W. H 20 LAWRENCE, H. J 20 | MAIL, W. J | CARTER, W. G 35 |
| POTTOW, W. J 20 | HORTON, W 25 | REDMAN, R. P 35 |
| DOLMAN, F | | BODINNAR, J. F 35 |
| SMITH, W. H. G. E 20 | Calne Mill. KIRTON, T 25 | GOLD MEDAL. |
| FLAY, E. F. K. (Miss) 20 | | C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. |
| POTTOW, A | Redruth. | GINGELL, J 40 |
| BUNSTON, P. H 20 | WOOD, W. T 25 | Chippenham. |
| GINGELL, L. M. (Miss) 20 HOLLEY, M. J 20 | | HOLLEY, A. H 40 |
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| Tiverton Junction. | SMART, E. F 25 | BAR. |
| LENTELL, J 20 | Chippenham. | C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. |
| Redruth. | HAZELL, G. W 25 | GARRAWAY, G. H 45 |
| FRANCIS, J 20 | COLEMAN, F. P 25 | Chippenham. |
| WILLIAMS, M. M. (Miss) 20 | Highbridge. | TAYLOR, E 45 |
| Chippenham. | PUDDY, E 25 | LONG, W. V 45 |
| EDWARDS, R 20 | Dunmow. | |
| KINGTON, R 20 HALLIDAY, J 20 | MARTIN, W. L. P 25 | GOLD MEDAL AND TWO |
| | | BARS. C. & T. Harris (Calne) Ltd. |
| Highbridge. SANDY, S. C 20 | SILVER MEDAL WITH | GALE, F. J 50 |
| MARSH, H. C 20 | TWO BARS. | HITCHENŠ, A 50 |
| HARDWIDGE, S. T 20 | C. & T. Harris (Calne), Ltd. ANGELL, E. J 30 | SUTTON, F 50 |
| Eastleigh. | PUFFETT, E 30 | Chippenham. |
| JONES, L. S 20 | RAWLINGS, W. J 30 | BULLOCK, T. H 50 |

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Views and Viewpoints.

Wonderful London! There is no place to compare with it. Few cities have such a wealth of interest, whether artistic, historic, or architectural, yet I, for one, did not regret the passing of the Crystal Palace. To me it was always an eyesore, but, for all that, it was interesting, even if only because nowhere else in the world was there anything like it.

For years it had been rather neglected, although exhibitions and concerts were held there occasionally, but the beautiful grounds were its greatest attraction. From my home it was a very short run to the Palace, and during the late summer there were grand firework displays on Thursday evenings, which we were able to enjoy without very much trouble.

Although the main fabric has now become a mass of twisted wreckage, the tall twin towers remain, but there is little to commend them, save the view from their verandahs, which extends to seven counties.

A short distance from the Palace is the Dulwich and Sydenham Golf Club, which possesses a hilly and well-wooded links. The Club House is situated on the crest of a hill, and from there the view is truly remarkable. In the foreground are the trees and fields of Dulwich itself, as yet one of the few remaining London suburbs still completely unspoiled. Stretched out some five miles farther away one can see a panorama of London from Tower Bridge in the East to the Battersea Power Station in the West, and beyond all that the hills from which "R.E.H." occasionally looks in our direction.

On very clear days the club places a small but powerful telescope at the disposal of its members, and it always gave me something of a thrill to focus on to St. Paul's and watch people walking round about the dome; also to pick out the pigeons flying among the city buildings.

It is not generally known that the Dulwich Picture Gallery is the oldest in the country, and contains many old masters, including Gainsborough, Reynolds, Van Dyck, and Murillo, to mention only a few.

Some acres in Dulwich Park have been devoted for many years solely to rhododendrons of various colours, and when they are in full bloom H.M. Queen Mary has frequently honoured Dulwich with a visit.

G.E.B.

CORONATION FESTIVITIES BULLETIN.

By the time these lines are in print the various Committees will have worked out the details of their respective activities.

The children and the old folks look like having a good time, and the rest of us, by mutual co-operation, will be doing our best to out-do the Jubilee festivities.

The Carnival Procession is undoubtedly the outstanding feature in its appeal to all

A record entry is expected, and to make this possible it is hoped that everybody will make up their minds and commence preparations now. Costumes and many of the decorations can be made now and put on one side, and, incidentally, that last-minute rush will be avoided.

The following are the classes that have been arranged so far :-

CLASS.

HARRIS MAGAZINE.

A. Best decorated Private Car.

B. Best decorated Tradesman's Vehicle, up to £20 Tax.

C. Best decorated Tradesman's Vehicle, over £20 Tax.

D. Tableau, on any vehicle.

E. Tradesman's Vehicle (horse drawn).

FA. Comic Band, on any vehicle. FB. Comic Band, walking.

G. Decorated Pram or Cycle (adult).

H. Decorated Scooter or Toy Pram (for children under 12 years).

Any Costume, children under 12 years.

J. Fancy Costume (adult).

It would be a good idea if each Section of the H.W.A. makes a special effort to enter at least one of the classes. It would certainly demonstrate their interest in that particular Section and the H.W.A. generally.

Will everyone now please get busy.

I should be glad to receive suggestions (especially from our friends at the Branches) and ideas as to fancy dresses, car and lorry decorations, and would be pleased to pass on any ideas to those who are interested. G. H. HUDSON.

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Flapper: Have you ever made mistakes in your practice that have had serious consequences?

Eminent Specialist: Yes, I once cured an American millionaire in two consultations.



At St. Mary's Church, Calstone, on February 1st, 1937, Miss B. L. McFaull, of the Costs Department, was married to Mr. L. D. Balment, of Cardiff.

Given away by her father, the bride wore a navy blue costume, with hat and shoes to tone, and carried an ivory Prayer Book. The bride was unattended.

Amongst her presents were a book-case from the Office Staff and a silver cake stand from the Dramatic Section.

On January 30th, at Calne Parish Church, Mr. Felix Watts was married to Miss Florence Cole. The bride was given away by her father, and wore a frock of light blue crepe suede, with fawn hat and silver shoes and stockings, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Three bridesmaids attended the bride, two in dresses of pink crepe suede, with head-dresses of silver leaves, silver shoes and stockings, and bouquets of pink tulips. The other bridesmaid wore a dress of turquoise blue crepe suede, with head-dress of silver leaves, and silver shoes and stockings, and bouquet of pink tulips.

Mr. Watts was presented with a timepiece from the Maintenance Department, and Miss Cole was the recipient of a canteen of cutlery from the Slaughter Department, to which she was attached for eight years.

At Calne Parish Church on February 6th, Miss Margaret Henden was married to Mr. Oliver Green, of Calstone. The bride was given away by her uncle, and wore a gown of white suede georgette with wreath of orange blossom and lilies of the valley and veil, white satin shoes, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and tulips. Two bridesmaids wore dresses of pink suede georgette, coronet caps of pink velvet, pink shoes and stockings, and carried bouquets of pink tulips. The smaller bridesmaid wore a dress of white satin with head dress of silver leaves and rosebuds, white brocade shoes, white stockings, and bouquet of pink tulips. Miss

Henden was for eleven years in the Sausage Department and was the recipient of a pair of landscape pictures with ebony frames. The honeymoon was spent in Oxford.

At St. Mary's Parish Church, Chippenham, on February 8th, Miss Phyllis Chorley was married to Mr. Bruce Tanner, of Kington St. Michael. The bride was given away by her father and wore a navy blue costume. navy blue jumper, hat and shoes and stockings and gloves of the same shade. Her bouquet was of white tulips. The bride was unattended. Miss Chorley was eighteen months in the Retort Department and was presented with a handsome clock.

At Wroughton Parish Church, on February 6th, Mr. Arthur Trembling was married to Miss Violet Beath. The bride was given away by her brother and wore a gown of light blue georgette with veil and wreath of orange blossom, white satin shoes, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. Four bridesmaids attended the bride. Two wore dresses of pink crepe suede with head dresses of silver leaves and wore silver shoes; their bouquets were of pink tulips. The other two bridesmaids wore dresses of rose pattern white satin wreaths of pink rosebuds, white satin shoes, and carried posies of pink tulips. Mr. Trembling is attached to the Maintenance staff and was presented with a Westminster chimes clock.



February, 1937.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

It has occurred to me that the housewives who peruse our Magazine may care for an occasional homely hint or recipe. This is one:-

DATES FOR DESSERT.

Dates for dessert are much nicer if the stones are removed and in place of them a piece of Brazil nut is inserted; alb. Brazils will stone 1lb. of dates.

" ELIZABETH."



We regret to record the death of Mr. T. T. Sparkes, which took place on February 4th.
Mr. Sparkes represented us in Cumberland and Westmorland until a few years ago.

Van Salesman W. Thomas, of Llanelly Van 26, is joining his uncle in business. We wish him every success. He will be succeeded by Van Salesman G. I. Williams, of Cardiff.

The influenza epidemic has taken severe toll this January and February, and our representatives and van salesmen have not escaped scot free. We are glad to say, however, that the epidemic now seems to be on the wane, and most of the invalids have returned to duty. It is very noticeable, however, at a time like this that those working indoors are more susceptible to this malady than those whose duties keep them out in the open and subject to the vagaries of our strange climate.

As referred to in the February issue, we are exhibiting at the "Daily Mail" Ideal Home Exhibition, which opens at Olympia on March 30th (not May 30th, as the date wrongly appeared last month). We are busy making plans and preparations for what we hope will be a very successful show. Our stand will appear in company with many famous firms whose names are also household words.

We shall there have the opportunity of introducing our goods to many thousands of the public, and, following the advertising in the National Press, the cumulative effect should have a very marked effect.

We hope to make many new friends at our stand, which will be in the Food Section, in the gallery of the National Hall.

J.H.G.

BRITISH EAST GREENLAND EXPEDITION (1935-1937.)

In June, 1935, we despatched a consignment of Harris Bacon, packed in canvas and salt to Aberdeen, for use on this Expedition.

Mr. L. R. Wager, the leader, writes to our Chief, under date of January 21st, 1937, as follows:—

"My expedition has now returned to this country after carrying out satisfactorily its programme of work in East Greenland. Brief reports of the expedition have already appeared in 'The Times' for September 26th, 27th, and 30th, 1935, and January 2nd, 1937.

"I wish to thank your Firm very much for the gift of your excellent bacon which, with the many other gifts we received, contributed to the final success of the expedition.

"The packing preserved the bacon to the end of our time in Greenland quite perfectly."

Harris Bacon is now regularly used in connection with Polar Expeditions and never fails to give universal satisfaction.

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Did you hear of the Grocer who retired with a \(\frac{1}{50},000 \) fortune ?

I asked how he did it. He explained as follows:—

- 1.—A well-stocked modern shop.
- 2.—All business on a cash basis.3.—Working hours were 14 hours a day.
- 4.—Civility.
- 5.—Special attention to cleanliness.

6.—Oh! and my aunt left me £49,999!

* * * * SKITTLE SECTION.

The Skittle Section are greatly indebted to Mr. T. W. Petherick for having presented them with a Silver Cup (to be called the "Petherick" Cup) to be competed for annually in an individual knock-out competition. Over 150 members entered the competition and the preliminary and first and second rounds have reduced the would-be winners of this trophy to 32. Competition has been very keen and several "fancied" players have already "bit the dust."



LIBRARY SECTION.

BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY A MEMBER.

"Poets and Prophets," by Andre Maurois, translated by Hamish Miles.

These essays were originally delivered as lectures to a French audience for the purpose of examining the works of certain English authors of the twentieth century. The authors dealt with were chosen because they were advocates of a doctrine, and exercised great influence over the thoughts of one or two generations. Monsieur Maurois gives a brief description of the life of each author before surveying his works and the meaning of them. Shaw, Wells, Kipling, and Aldous Huxley are amongst those chosen as subjects for these lectures.

DRAMATIC SECTION.

After successfully producing an autumn play and a carnival revue, we are now giving our attention to our spring production. The Committee had hoped to have produced that wonderful play, "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney," but owing to a difficulty (a temporary one, we hope) in obtaining the most suitable cast, we have been obliged to postpone this production until a more favourable opportunity. Looking around for a substitute, it was, we believe, a happy inspiration and an admirable choice to fix on that old favourite which is still running, "Charley's Aunt." This play was originally produced in 1892. The world has been completely revolutionised since those days, but one of the few links between the present and the "nineties" is this extraordinary and everlasting play. In September, 1933, it was decided to modernise it. It is not unnatural that in the course of forty years even the English language has undergone many changes, and certain words and phrases have disappeared altogether from the conversation of to-day. Further, fashions and styles of writing have altered. In the present edition a few modifications and slight alterations have been made, but nothing of importance has been altered, no new-fangled improvements introduced, and the play in its modern form is true to its original theme and has its humour unimpaired.

The play will be produced on April 28th and 29th and should form part of our local Coronation celebrations. It is intended to link our performances with the Mayor of Calne's Coronation activities, and no more suitable play could be chosen for such a festival than the ever-popular and still-running "Charley's Aunt."

Now, book the dates. Don't let anything interfere with your being present at one or other of the performances. Attend, and you will be well rewarded with one of the greatest laughs of your life.

TENNIS SECTION.

Despite the bad weather prevailing at the time, the whist drive, held in the Woodlands, on Friday, 29th January, showed that these little functions are looked forward to. There were 16½ tables in play, and under the direction of Mr. L. A. Trow, who was M.C., it proved quite a success.

The Committee wish to express their appreciation to Mrs. L. A. Trow, who kindly presented the prizes.

The following prize-winners received vouchers to the value of 10s., 7s. 6d., and 5s. respectively:—

Ladies—1, Miss L. Beazley; 2, Miss Wiltshire; 3, Mrs. Moody. Gentlemen—1, K. Cousins; 2, Mrs. Cleverley; 3, E. Bennett. Ladies' half-time highest score—Mrs. Stephens (box of chocolates). Gentlemen's half-time highest score—R. B. Swaffield (50 cigarettes).

It was rather a coincidence that the winners of the cigarette competition were Miss M. McLean and Mr. A. McLean, who each received 50 cigarettes.

Our thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. Winstone, who, besides seeing to the refreshments, helped in a great many other ways.

S.T.

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Friends Elsewhere.



SKITTLES SECTION.

VISIT OF LACOCK.

The return match with our Lacock friends was played on Friday, January 8th, 1937, at the Railway Inn, Old Road. The match played earlier in the season resulted in a win for our team by 4 pins, and we were looking forward to repeating this on our own alley.

We commenced bowling in fine style, winning the first leg to the tune of 23 pins. However, our Lacock friends pulled themselves together and won the next leg by 21 pins. With only two pins to our advantage the last leg commenced in a proper ding-dong fashion, and, although some of our team skittled well, they could not hold the Lacock men, who won this leg by 15 pins, and thereby won the match by 13 pins.

Lacock 76 111 112—299 Chippenham ... 99 90 97—286

VISIT TO WEST END CLUB.

On Friday, January 22nd, 1937, we renewed our acquaintance with our friends at the West End Club. Although it has never been our privilege to record a win on this alley, we were hoping perhaps our luck would turn on this occasion. The first leg started in our favour, and we won same by 8 pins. Once again we were unable to maintain the good form shown in the first leg, both the remaining legs going in our opponents' favour, who won the match by 7 pins. We should like to make this the opportunity of thanking the Committee members of the West End Club for the splendid arrangements they made to enable

us to spend an enjoyable evening. Total scores:—

West End Club... 73 77 86—236 Chippenham 81 67 81—229

The wedding took place at the Parish Church, Chippenham, on Saturday, January 2nd, 1937, of Miss W. F. Holder and Mr. H. G. Timberlake. For the last year or so Mr. H. G. Timberlake has been engaged in the Curing Department, in the cellar, and during that period has gained popularity with everyone. At the close of business on Monday, January 11th, 1937, in the presence of the employees, our Manager, Mr. W. V. Long, handed to Mr. Timberlake a silver cruet and silver teapot, on behalf of his fellow workers. Mr. Long wished Mr. and Mrs. Timberlake every happiness and health in the future, to which Mr. Timberlake suitably replied.



January 16th was the date of the Ipswich social, and those of us who were going eagerly looked forward to that evening, knowing that as before we were assured of a really enjoyable time.

Our factory football team were playing the Ipswich football team, and therefore, at about mid-day, twenty of our men set off to Ipswich in good spirits, determined to show the Ipswich people this year what they were made of. We are very happy to report that their feelings were not unjustified, they having managed to beat our Ipswich people by the odd goal, the score being 6—5. It was a most enjoyable game, and thoroughly enjoyed by both teams and spectators.

After the match our men were entertained to tea by our Ipswich friends, and for that courtesy they wish to express their best thanks. There was a short break after tea, and then came the dinner, followed by entertainment and dancing. The whole evening was most enjoyable, and we, from Dunmow, must congratulate our Ipswich friends on their extremely kind hospitality to us all. We had a real good time, and are looking forward to future events at Ipswich of the same nature, as it is always a pleasure to renew old acquaintances and to make new ones.



We are looking forward with great pleasure to Mr. Bodinnar's visit on March 5th, on the occasion of our third annual social evening.

On Saturday, January 30th, Mr. Jack Austin was married to Miss J. Harris, at St. Luke's Church, Southampton. A suitable present was given by his fellow workmen, with all good wishes for the future happiness of this couple.

We are sorry to report that Mr. F. Beckett has entered hospital to undergo an operation from which we all wish him a speedy and complete recovery.

We have not escaped the 'flu epidemic, which has been so prevalent throughout the country, as several of our people have been unfortunate enough to contract it—though, we are pleased to say, only in a mild form.

It is a pleasure to report that Mr. "Nick" Carter is making good progress after his long illness. We hope to have him with us again soon.

The love and service of our country consisteth not so much in the knowledge of those duties which are to be performed by others, as in the skilful practice of that which is done by ourselves.—Thomas Mun, of London, Merchant, in "Ergland's Treasure by Forraign Trade" (1664).



Saturday, the 30th January, was the "red letter" day for the members of the Welfare Association, as it was the occasion of their annual gathering. Unfortunately, our President was again this year prevented by illness from attending, very much to the regret of all of us, as after his absence last year for the same reason we had hoped to have the pleasure of his company and that of Mrs. and Miss Bodinnar. Still we hope that it will not be a pleasure long delayed, and we sincerely wish him a speedy return to his usual health and strength. We were also sorry Mrs. C. Herbert Smith was unable to be present owing to the illness of her daughter, who we hope will soon be well again.

The weather for our annual event could hardly have been worse, as after a recent rather heavy fall of snow a thaw accompanied by heavy rain had set in. Still, we are glad that the enthusiasm of our members and their friends was equal to the occasion, and about 120 sat down to a supper, under the chairmanship of Mr. Kidley, who was accompanied by Mrs. Kidley, and supported by Captain C. Herbert Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Templeman as the principal guests.

Following an excellent supper, the usual toasts were honoured, and this was followed

by a dance until midnight.

The supper was a departure from our usual custom, and everyone present seemed to appreciate the innovation. For its success we have to thank our ever-ready lady helpers, Mesdames Walter Young, R. Gibbs, J. Norris, H. D. Smith, and Miss Eva Woods, who prepared and served the meal in first-class style, and provided light refreshment for the dance which followed. The members have cause to be thankful to these ladies who, whenever we have need of their help, come up smiling and do all, and more, than we desire. To them, all we can say is,

"Thank you, very much indeed!" Of course, the Committee also worked hard to make the evening a success, but we know the only thanks they require is the obvious pleasure of the members, and this was evident on this Saturday night.

We have to congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holley on the birth of a son.

Mr. W. H. G. Young, jun., has now returned to work after his long absence, and we hope that he will not have to experience such a long "lay off" for many years to come.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Joe Gillett is again laid up with his old trouble, also Mr. Leopold King, and to both we wish a quick return to normal health.

Some of our friends at the Creamery must be getting absent-minded, or is it an early attack of spring madness? A certain young lady purchased an alarm clock. The clock didn't go, so she returned it only to be told she hadn't wound the thing up.

Then a man, who probably had been thinking of Aladdin, went to the barber's one lunch hour borrowing a fellow employee's bicycle, which wasn't exactly new, and returning with a brand new machine, which he replaced in the shed. Later the indignant owner of the new bike sent to claim his property.

We think an energetic Pelmanism salesman would find fertile ground at the Creamery.

R.C.L.

SPORT.

SKITTLES LEAGUE.

We have very little to report regarding the progress of our team in the League, with the exception that they surpassed themselves in the first round of the Knock-out Cup Competition. They had drawn to play against the "Crown United," on the Berrow Hotel alley, on Wednesday, 27th January, and from the start they made no mistake as to what the result would be. Pulling 4 pins on the first hand, they kept the lead all through, giving no quarter to their opposing team, and finally winning their way through to the semi-final with a score of 441 against 411. A. H. Hill was top scorer with

60 pins, and H. Blackmore was close on his heels with 59. We understand that the score, 441, is the record for a League match on this alley. Good, boys! And we wish you every luck and hope you will be successful in winning the cup.

"ANNE KIDLEY" CUP COMPETITION

The fourth round of the series in this popular competition was played on Friday, 22nd January, and as previously reported, this is a game of surprises. As will be seen by the following result, the top men have changed places and, as there are two more rounds to be played, it would be difficult to pick out the winner at this moment.

| Total S | core. | Score. | |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|------|
| Name. Total to 3 | | | Ttl. |
| 1.—A. H. Hill | 174 | 59 | 233 |
| 2.—H. Beasley | | 54 | 228 |
| 3.—E. Cann | | 52 | 226 |
| 4.—G. Pearse | | 57 | 224 |
| W. J. Pople | 164 | 60 | 224 |
| 5.—C. B. Shier | 166 | 54 | 220 |
| 6.—R. C. Lynham | 161 | 58 | 219 |
| 7.—A. Holley | 171 | 44 | 215 |
| H. D. Smith | 163 | 52 | 215 |
| W. J. Young | 159 | 56 | 215 |
| 8.—H. Hardwidge | 176 | :-8 | 214 |
| 9.—H. C. Marsh | 159 | 54 | 213 |
| 10.—H. Neath | 166 | 46 | 212 |
| 11.—J. Young | 150 | 52 | 208 |
| 12.—H. B. Blackmore | 143 | 55 | 198 |
| 13.—F. Pople | 143 | 54 | 197 |
| 14.—H. Ham | 144 | 49 | 193 |
| 15.—R. Gibbs | 144 | 42 | 186 |
| 16.—A. Solomon | 134 | 48 | 182 |
| 17.—W. H. G. Young, Snr. | 160 | _ | 160 |
| 18.—J. Swaine | 154 | - | 154 |
| 19.—R. Hooper | 153 | | 153 |
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A. C. Chedzoy and C. Morrisey automatically drop out having missed 2 matches (according to rule).

C.B.S.

Without sugar, life looses much of its sweetness. Sugar is not a luxury, it is a necessity. Children love it, adults enjoy it, and athletes eat it as a stimulant. Sugar is concentrated energy.

The level of the Fen country varies between 4 and 16ft. below sea level. It is the lowest land in England.



Easter and Spring will be in the air when these notes appear; but as we are writing them we are in the throes of the worst influenza epidemic since 1918, and January days are wet and sultry, instead of briskly frosty and cold. Even in the country and urban areas schools are closed, and shops and factories dislocated everywhere. Indeed, it would be no exaggeration to say that the whole business and trade fabric has been slowed down by the insidious enemy.

With the mild weather, we in the north have had extensive flooding and similar conditions to those prevailing in the Thames Valley, bringing loss and ruin to many. Locally, the fate of Otley Old Bridge is once more in the balance. New property on housing estates is being endangered by the flood waters of the Wharfe, partly caused by the broad piers of the fine old structure, but also to the three weirs arranged to supply water power to big factories. So the old question arises, "Shall our love of antiquity stand in the path of progress?"

Two facts are noted about the influenza epidemic. The districts most distressingly affected are those where malnutrition and depression are rife. And the second is that it has seriously affected the appetites of victims and has led to quietness in the provision shops. It has upset the January sales in big stores, for so many people are ill and others busy nursing that the "bargains" have had to wait.

Let us, therefore, remember always that "Health is the greatest wealth."

Readers may have noticed something about the Private Member's Bill introduced in the House of Commons recently to restrain spiteful testators from leaving their families penniless.

One man, for instance, left his spouse one farthing, to be sent by post in an unstamped envelope. But what do you think of the Wall Street broker who is credited with inflicting this will:—

"To my son I leave the pleasure of earning a living; for 35 years he thought the pleasure was mine. He is mistaken.

"To my valet I leave all the clothes he has been stealing from me for the past ten years

"To my chauffeur I leave my cars. He has nearly ruined them, and I wish him to have the satisfaction of finishing the job.

"To my partner I leave the advice that he takes another partner immediately if he expects to do any business in future."

In a course of a newspaper debate on the disadvantages or otherwise suffered by small people in comparison with tall folk, a lady contributed the following:—

A woman who had a large family of small children was anxious to have an evening off, and prevailed on a neighbour to come in and put the children to bed.

On her return she asked the neighbour if there had been any trouble.

"Only the red-headed one," was the

reply.

"Red-headed one?" screamed the horror-stricken mother, "why, that's my husband."

And, of course, it may be mentioned in soto voce that:—It is all right if a small man borrows a nightshirt from a tall man; but, if a tall man borrows a nightshirt from a diminutive host, it is only "all right as far as it goes."

It is said that we all have doubles. Most of us have been mistaken for someone else. But we had never heard of a "double" meeting a "double" until the other day.

In Settle market place an elderly woman stopped to greet a friend. "Why, I haven't seen you for a long time, my dear," she said. "No, and I haven't seen you either. How are you keeping?" replied the other.

There was an appreciable pause. Then the first woman said, "Well, I don't believe it's you after all." And the other woman answered, "No, and I don't believe it's you either."

After an apologetic smile at each other they went their ways.

It is not the cost of the car that worries the average motorist but the upkeep—and sometimes the turnover.—*Humorist*.



LONDON SOCIAL CLUB.

The sixth annual whist drive, dinner, and dance were held on Saturday, January 23rd, at the Bedford Corner Hotel, Tottenham Court Road, W.1.

The reception began quite early, and was superintended by Mr. and Mrs. McKaig.

This was followed by a whist drive, which was run by Mr. J. A. Chidgey. The winners of the prizes were:—Ladies—1, Mrs. Grimes; 2, Mrs. Gramolt. Gentlemen—1, Mr. Robinson; 2, Mr. W. Culpin.

A particular feature of the dinner was the very original menu cards which had been designed by Mr. S. W. McKaig. Once again we owe him a debt of gratitude for his

While the dinner had been proceeding guests had been trying to fill in the last lines of the limericks which they found in their menu cards. Five prizes were given, and these were won by Miss Robinson, Mrs. Perkins, Mrs. Hopkins, Mrs. Hillier, and Mr. Tingle

Mr. G. Coles, in proposing the toast to the "Visitors," specially mentioned Mr. H. Ludgate, who had written to say that he much regretted that an attack of influenza would prevent him and Mrs. Ludgate attending. All visitors were given a hearty welcome with the wishes of the Club that they would spend a very happy evening. Mr. W. Culpin rose to reply to this toast and, after saying how very glad he and Mrs. Culpin were to be present, invited a party to go to Dunmow for their supper and dance, to be held on the 13th February. Miss Foster Barham also responded, and said humorously that, although her dinner had been completely spoiled by an unexpected request to make this speech, she thanked Mr. Coles, on behalf of the visitors, and said she was sure they would have a happy time.

Mr. Perkins proposed the toast to our Chairman and reminded us of the heavy responsibilities which were on Mr. Bodinnar's shoulders, and said that, while we could do very little to lighten these, it was our duty to see that we in no way increased them.

We were all pleased to see Mr. Bodinnar, and we all enjoyed his witticisms, and particularly the story regarding a certain Jew who sold a trouser press to a Scot who was wearing a kilt, making reference to salesmanship. Turning to serious matters, Mr. Bodinnar spoke with optimism of the future of the industry, and said he hoped satisfactory arrangements would be made in the near future.

Mr. E. F. Johnson again convened the dance which, with the help of the Rhythm Rascals Dance Band and some very gay lighting effects, was such a success that time went so quickly, and the traditional "last waltz" had to be abandoned. Winners of the prizes were:—Spot waltz, Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson; elimination fox-trot, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes.

The prizes were presented by Mrs. G. Coles, after which we joined hands in "Auld Lang Syne," and one of the happiest events concluded with the National Anthem.

During an interval in the dancing a presentation was made by Mr. G. Coles to the winner of the darts competition, held at the London Warehouse, the prize being a tankard, and was won by Mr. R. Lartice. Loud applause greeted this, and it is rumoured the tankard quickly found its appropriate use.

He came back very late. "Where have you been?" asked his wife. After a moment's reflection he replied: "The cemetery."

"Good gracious, who's dead?"

"The whole lot of them," he said at last.

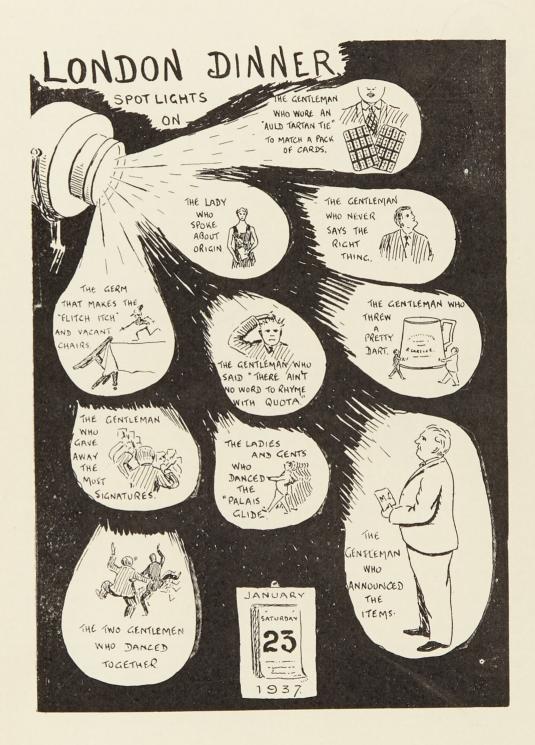
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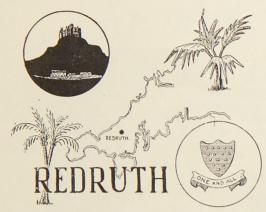
Traveller: What are the prices of your rooms?

Landlord: Ground floor 8s., first floor 6s., and second floor 5s.

Traveller: Good, I will come back when you have added a few more storeys.—The Passing Show.

Smoking in the street was once an offence punishable by fine.





Despite the collapse of the Pig Scheme and the fact that January is always a month of short supplies, we have been able to secure a fairly good number of pigs each week. Cornish farmers, however, are hoping that success will attend all efforts to form a new Scheme which will give the producer a feeling of security and the factory an assurance of regular supplies.

The 'flu which has been raging over the rest of England has at last reached Cornwall. It seems to have lost none of its severity in making the journey West, and has certainly lost no time in entering our various homes. We wish all those who are its victims a speedy recovery and hope that the good fortune of those who have so far escaped will continue

We have been told that in the building of King Solomon's Temple tin was used

which came from mines in Cornwall. Whether this is true or not we need not consider, but it does tell us that these mines have been working for hundreds of years. Because of this most Cornish mines working to-day are surrounded by old workings that are filled with thousands of tons of water. One of the chief overhead charges connected with tin mines is the great cost of disposing of the large quantities of water that is always present where there is tin, and the famous Cornish pumps used for this purpose are known all over the world. During the last few days a barrier between old disused workings and the new mine at Wheal Reeth, near Penzance, gave way, and tons of water came thundering into the new workings. Immediately it became known consternation reigned throughout the county, for there is on record cases where practically all those employed in the mine have been trapped and drowned. Fortunately, in this case, the water was partially got under control, and the gallant story of the brave rescue of the trapped miners caused infinite joy and relief when announced over the wireless. It would undoubtedly have thrilled the country more if knowledge were general of the circumstances of the miners trapped by water in the bottom of a tin mine.

W.B.F.

THE WRONG BREED.

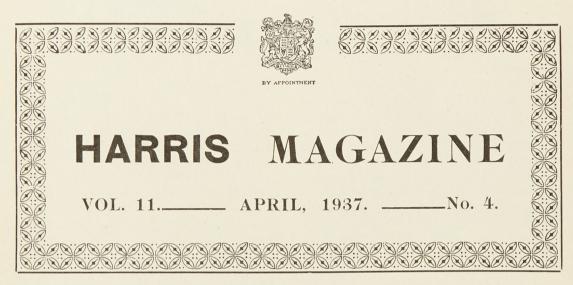
"Does your dog chase cows?"

"No, he's a bulldog."

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

LEAGUE TABLE AS AT FEBRUARY 26TH, 1937.

| | Played. | Won. | Lost. | Drawn. P | ts. Ob. |
|--------------------------|---------|------|-------|----------|---------|
| Slaughter | 63 | 43 | 17 | 3 | 89 |
| Boning and Rinding | 63 | 42 | 18 | 3 | 87 |
| Retort, &c. | 60 | 35 | 22 | 3 | 73 |
| Warehouse, Despatch, &c. | 60 | 32 | 27 | 1 | 65 |
| Bacon Packing | 60 | 30 | 28 | 2 | 62 |
| Kitchen | 63 | 29 | 33 | 1 | 59 |
| Office | 57 | 27 | 27 | 3 | 57 |
| Printing, Lard, &c. | 57 | 27 | 28 | 2 | 56 |
| Curing Rooms | 63 | 26 | 34 | 3 | 55 |
| Engineers | 60 | 20 | 39 | 1 | 41 |
| Maintenance | 54 | 18 | 34 | 2 | 38 |
| Traffic, Basement, &c. | 54 | 16 | 38 | 0 | 32 |





Aunt" performed for twenty-five years I can still remember the physical exhaustion, aching ribs, and tightness of the throat which this remarkable farce produced. In a comedy the characters experience the events of every-day life, amusing situations which happen anywhen and anywhere, but in a farce the characters are in an atmosphere of extravagant drollery throughout the play. "Charley's Aunt" is so packed with broadly amusing situations that the pre-war poster announcements:—
"Enough to make a cat laugh!" are true in substance and in fact.

Another testimonial to the laughter-provoking nature of this farce was the other poster, which announced "Charley's Aunt—Still Running!" She had been running more nights than any modern light play by 1914, and whenever revived in these post-war years, never fails to be a strong counter-attraction to modern varieties of entertainment.

The Dramatic Section of the H.W.A. are rehearsing as they never rehearsed before, in an endeavour to fill the Picture Palace with unrestrained laughter and merriment. The only reward they desire is a full auditorium, ready to respond and make the rafters ring with unadulterated hilarity.



O far there is not much to be added to my remarks of last month in the way of a progress report on the present position of the Pigs' and Bacon Marketing Schemes. It is true that the National Farmers' Union have given some indication of the line they are likely to take in their representations to the Ministry. They, however, appear to be awaiting replies to a questionnaire which they have sent to their county branches. There have been some newspaper forecasts of the line which the Pigs' Marketing Board will be taking in their suggestions to the Government. The producer needs some immediate assurance of the likely trend of future events so that he can plan in advance and, in addition, that he may not feel it to be necessary to get rid of his sows and light pigs. We are doing all we can to urge matters to a speedy settlement.

Of course, by the time these lines appear in print the reports mentioned may have gone in.

We need something in these days to remind us that in the natural evolution of night into day the dawn always follows the darkest moment of the night. We are needing all the courage we can summon, and a clear vision to deal with the affairs of business from day to day. At times like this tempers are prone to be sharpened and a sense of irritability may be present. It is not wise, therefore, to look too much upon the ground, but to seek the sight of mountain tops, no matter how distant they may be.

And, after all, the long delayed signs of spring, even though they be tardy in their appearance, occasionally peep out. The miracle of the earth's resurrection is going on, and must soon be evident. The daffodils may have been broken and blackened by our

recent storms, but there would have been no daffodils in bloom if the hidden powers of the ground had not been released from their winter sleep and become transmuted into green leaf, and gorgeous yellow flower.

No-one can complain of the lack of variety in late-winter's weather. Floods and hail, snow and gale, have tested the best physical endurance of the nation. It is out of such moral elements that British manhood has found its being. At a time like this, when similar adverse circumstances are affecting our industry, and the course of peace among the nations, we shall do no harm to any part of our make-up if, for a moment, we stop to think of the old adage that it is out of adversity that strength is born.

And anyhow, summer is definitely coming. It may not see the resurrection of all our hopes, for disillusionment is often the lot of the hopeful. But a lost hope is often the occasion for the conception of a new and a better plan. To be thwarted in one direction should mean the pursuit of a sounder, stronger and better purpose.

One of the courageous blind has said that when he lost his sight he heard and felt more clearly, and that the eyes of his mind were opened. To lose the flower of last summer may mean the re-planting of the garden with greater accuracy and in more glorious profusion.



CRICKET FIXTURERS 1st XI.

May 1.—Chipping Sodbury, home.

,, 8.—Lacock, home.

, 15.—Savernake, away.

.. 22.—Warminster, home.

,, 29.—Warminster, away.

June 5.—Old Colstonians, Bristol, home.

" 12.—Wills', Swindon, away.

" 16 & 17.— (Wed.) Calne Town, home.

,, 19.—Savernake, home.

,, 26.—G.W.R., Swindon, home.

July 3.—Devizes Town, home.

,, 10.—Calne Town, home.

,, 17.—Lacock, away.

" 21 & 22.—(Wed). Calne Town, away.

. 24.—Wills', Swindon, home.

" 31.—Chipping Sodbury, away.

Aug. 2.—(Bank Hol.) Old Colstonians, Bristol, home.

,, 7.—Marlborough, C.S.C.C., home.

,, 14.—Flower Show.

,, 21.-G.W.R., Swindon, away.

.. 28.—Marlborough, C.S.C.C., away.

Sept. 4.—Garrards. away.

,, 11.—Garrards, home.

" 18.—G.W.R. Waggon Shop, home.

2nd XI.

May 15.—Seagry, home.

.. 22.—Lowden, away.

" 29.—M.C. Club, Swindon, home.

June 5.—Spye Park, away.

,, 12.—Avon Sports 2nd XI., home.

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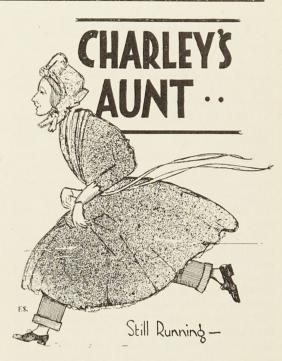
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Coronation Festivities.

The plans of the various Committees are now taking shape, and it is hoped that we shall be able to publish the complete programme in our next issue.

We shall commence the day in a fitting manner as Divine Service has been fixed for

10.30 a.m.

Immediately following will be the Old Folks' Luncheon, and from preliminary arrangements it is certain that there is a happy time in store for our Darbys and Joans.

We next swing right the other way, and the children are our next concern.

During the various meetings and discussions one has been particularly struck with the prevailing ideas and intentions of those who have undertaken the responsibility of these festivities. "Whatever happens," they say, "we must see to it that this Coronation is made a memorable occasion for the kiddies." Much care, much thought, and a vast amount of energy are being spent to ensure that "The Day" will be one that the kiddies will always remember and treasure.

By the time we have finished with the children's teas, entertainment, and distribution of souvenirs, we shall be thoroughly inoculated with the carnival spirit.

Community singing will help to while away the time whilst waiting for the procession, and, incidentally, give us all an opportunity to "work off steam."

It is hoped that the procession will surpass the excellence of the Jubilee one. We again appeal to our readers to see if they cannot enter one of the classes. The walking classes of fancy dress and so on should appeal and attract a record entry. So please do not hesitate. Send your form along now. Not only will you be helping to make the procession a success, but you will be contributing to the pleasure and enjoyment of

The day will not be complete without its Bonfire. This is in capable hands, and we look like having a real blaze.

There is the Carnival Ball, which will conclude the day's festivities. We say "conclude the day's festivities," but this event looks like going on to the "wee sma' hours.'

And so we shall wend our way homeward G.H.H. —tired and happy.

THE KING AND INDUSTRIAL WELFARE

EXTRACTS FROM RECENT SPEECHES.

"Our stock and goodwill are human life and human happiness, and those who invest in these securities will not fail to reap a substantial benefit."

"One hundred years ago employers thought of progress in terms of their individual profit and of the workers as mere instruments of production. To-day, however, many leading men in industry regard progress as the gradual escape of men's minds from the relation of use to the relation of fellowship.

"The increasing interest taken by leaders of labour in our work as the motives and aims are understood, proves more and more the usefulness of that work.'

"Industrialism is recognising the fact that no matter how perfect an organisation, or how necessary its existence, the ultimate and only consideration for its success is that of the actual lives and aspirations of the workers themselves, and I am proud and thankful that the Industrial Welfare Society has made so definite and valuable a contribution to the building up of this spirit which must prove so revivifying a force in industry.'

"Pleasantness of work and right human relationships affect industrial prosperity, for the success of a business enterprise as of a nation depends ultimately on the willing co-operation of individuals.

P.D.S.A. (Peoples' Dispensary for Sick Animals of the Poor).

Readers of the "Daily Mirror" who would like to help the above organisation can do so by cutting out the tokens, valued at one-tenth of a penny, which are now found on the back page, and giving these to either Mrs. Redman, Mrs. James, Mr. G. H. Hudson, or the hon. secretary, Mr. Gordon Smith, or to the Caravan.

The local representatives of the P.D.S.A. will be most grateful for any help in this way. It is hoped that a film of the work of the P.D.S.A. will be shown in Calne at a later date.

Public Entertainment.

HAVE to thank "Long White Beard' for his remarks re Elen's songs. He is right, the "'Ouses in between" song was composed before the term "ribbon building" had been coined. The thing itself was however, in being long before, only under another name. It was called "field running." It is not the name but the thing that matters, and some of us, at any rate, are glad to see that at long last Government action can be expected to prevent the complete ruination of the beauty of English coast and rural places.

I regret I cannot contribute much of any value about the old time Musical Halls. From his letter I am persuaded that "Long White Beard" knows more about it than I do. My experience of the Halls was not extensive, and most of it was crowded into a season about 1889-90, when I was lured to the old London Pay., at the time when Dan Leno and Marie Lloyd were at the top of their form. Apart from that short period I certainly did not go to the Halls more frequently than other fellows. And I did not know any of the Music Hall people. But I did very much enjoy those times and am glad now that I experienced them.

But I did know about the Theatres because we—and by we I mean my family had relations on the stage or engaged in production. There were the Cathcarts. Old Cathcart was stage manager at the Savoy, and responsible for the entire range of the original productions of Gilbert and Sullivan. His daughter, Maud Cathcart, and Jessie Bond are the only living people who were in the original productions. It was mainly through the Cathcarts that we got to know a number of the leading players of the times and were drawn into close touch with their world. It was a grand period, which really came to an end at the outbreak of the South

African War.

It is said that "Convictions are generally first impressions, sealed by later prejudices." In my case these theatrical years have quite spoilt me for films. Drama is the expression of life. Profundities of expression and experience can be put into words and personal actions that cannot be produced with equal force at second hand. I cannot imagine Hamlet or Macbeth on

the pictures. I cannot see how Irving's greatest part in "The Bells" could make good, shorn of the personal touch. Missing this touch. I have quite left off going to films, which I regard as, at the best, only a second best.

Being a lover of all the things written by R. L. Stevenson, I did break my rule and went to see "Treasure Island" and then "Jekyll and Hyde" on the pictures. But I had seen the great American actor, Richard Mansfield, in his "Jekyll and Hyde," and I found the film just bare bones.

But Theatre-going was expensive, and now the pictures have opened up new opportunities. It just happens that I don't care about them and don't understand how it is that quite a lot of people think they must go to these shows two or three times a week. I presume they go because they like it, and not because there is nothing else to do. And this leads up to the last point in the letter from "Long White Beard." We live in a world that has definitely changed. The changes are not all gains. When at home at Ealing I lived there with three brothers and three sisters. Ealing in those days was a village. There was no Public Hall, no Cinemas, no Theatre. But were we bored? Not in the least, for at the time people depended on what they had at home. With seven of us, and each one bringing in a circle of school friends from people in like circumstances, there was always something going on amongst us.

It was the Victorian home life. We did things ourselves, and we did not suffer from spectatoritis. But every winter this doing of things ourselves used to develop into a more public form. There being no Theatre or Hall, we used to give entertainments at the Christ Church School Rooms, and these entertainments were the penny readings mentioned by "Long White Beard." How good or bad they were I cannot say, for at the time I was very young. But this much I do know, that these shows used to be prepared for and looked forward to, and were the cause of great friendships and great fun, and, I think, when we lost them we lost something which was very good and which has not been replaced.

R.E.H.

The present Archbishop of Canterbury is the ninety-fourth Primate.

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Holidays.

The sole idea of a holiday is a change. One welcomes the fact that more people each year have holidays and take full advantage of them by getting away from the every day surroundings.

It is remarkable, however, the number of people who return year by year to the same

resort

To my mind this defeats the object for which holidays are meant. When one gets down to bedrock it is found that one of the reasons for this loyalty is the fear of trying out a new place in case it turns out to be disappointing. Another is a mistaken idea, that it is more expense to travel further afield.

As I am an advocate of a change now and again and as a holiday is meant to be a change, why not have a change. Perhaps I may persuade some of our readers to look at this holiday question in a fresh light.

After spending 50 weeks in one place one doesn't want to spend the other two weeks in a spot where everything is so familiar as to almost be another home town. One wants a place where one is on a voyage of

discovery all the time.

The fear of being disappointed can be removed if one obtains from the various towns a guide book. A post-card addressed to the Town Clerk will bring all the information one requires and a choice can be made. Accommodation is usually the "bogey," but as nearly all the up-to-date resorts have a register of reliable people, this is not so uncertain as it was a few years ago.

Here let me say that there is a register of addresses kept by the Editors of Harris Magazine, which has proved useful to intending holiday makers. It is hoped that the readers of this article will help to swell the register by sending along such addresses

they know and can recommend.

The question of expense is somewhat a paradox. My experience is that the cheap railway fares now operating make it easier to consider more distant places, and fast trains shorten the journey. Also, I find that the cost of accommodation is not so great in many of the South-Eastern and Eastern resorts as in the West. This is an offset against the small increase in travelling.

One could write a few columns on such places as Brighton, Eastbourne, Hastings,

Clacton, Great Yarmouth, and so on, but it is not the purpose of this article to boost any particular resort. They can each, in their own particular way, do this for themselves.

The idea is to consider this year a complete change from the habit of going to the same place year by year. Believe me, you will wonder why you have not changed before and, which is more important, you will derive more pleasure inasmuch as you will be having a real change.

To those in the East I would say, "Come West," and to those in the West I would say, "Go East, or South-East." It's

a change you want!

We have often wondered why one Department has such poor returns in respect of subscriptions to our Magazine.

If this should catch their eye it would be nice of them to let us know exactly where we fail to please. We can give them every assurance that we will do our best to remedy any defects they bring to our notice. If it is a case of indifference we, of course, cannot help it, but we would ask them to re-consider the matter as we do want everybody's support.

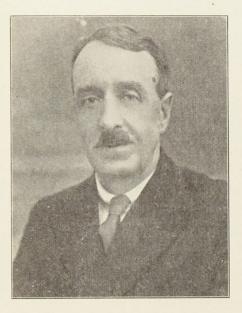
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WHO IS IT?-No. 1.



Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. A. H. HASLER.



Our photograph this month is of Mr. A. H. Hasler, of Worthing, our representative in Brighton and West Sussex.

Mr. Hasler was apprenticed to the Wholesale and Retail Grocery and Provision Trade in 1906, and had experience with both

London and provincial firms.

Before joining the Firm in November, 1921, he saw extensive service overseas, joining the R.N.A.S. early in 1915 and leaving for foreign service during the same year. After serving in Malta, Egypt, Aden, Southern Arabia, India, and the Mediterranean, Mr. Hasler returned in 1918 and retired in November, 1919.

Mr. Hasler commenced on the West Kent territory before moving, after a comparatively short while, to Tunbridge Wells, where he lived for a number of years before moving to his present address at Worthing.

Since joining C. & T. Harris he informs us that he estimates that he has travelled 250,000 miles, of which 200,000 have been by car

Mr. Hasler was married in 1930. He is a keen shot and a good deal of his spare time is spent either in shooting or fishing. He has carried his rods to many parts, including India, Egypt, Malta, Switzerland, Belgium.

Photographic Notes.

LOOK AFTER YOUR LENS.

WHY PRINTS MAY BE POOR WHEN THE WEATHER CHANGES SUDDENLY

There is nothing better than constant use for keeping a camera in good working order. This is one of the many reasons why amateurs should make their hobby an all-the-year-round affair, and not merely take their Kodaks out for an "airing" only during the holidays.

If a camera must be kept in storage during the winter see that it is kept away from damp, otherwise the working parts may be found to be rusty when it is wanted urgently. The shutter may then refuse to

work.

Even the most careful camera-users may be unable to prevent dew from condensing on the lens when a sudden change of weather occurs.

Anyone who wears spectacles knows how quickly their glasses become "misty" when going suddenly from a cold atmosphere into a humid one—the same thing happens to the lens of a camera, and if you try to take a photograph when the lens is in this condition the result will be a poor or even ruined print.

A Simple Precaution

For this reason it is a wise plan to wipe the glass thoroughly with a silk handkerchief

or piece of soft cloth before using.

Owners of Graflex and other focussing screen cameras can usually tell if their lens has become misty, for they are then unable to obtain a sharp picture on their ground glass focussing screen. Users of folding Kodaks and cameras which rely on viewfinders, however, have no means of telling readily, and so are often apt to neglect to wipe the lens. By remembering this little precaution all danger of spoiling pictures through the lens being clouded will be avoided.

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OUR QUERY.

(Prompted by an entry in one of our Day Books).

If 1599 Unites Electricity, what number joins Gas?

The one giving the correct answer will go to the top of the class.

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Fen Land Floods.

I have just been, like thousands of other folk, anxiously listening to the latest news of the Cambridgeshire Fen Land floods, which at the moment seem to be getting the better of the over-worked and nearly exhausted men, who are toiling day and night to keep the banks from crumbling. It is just in the laps of the gods. I have been in the nerve-centre of the area to-day, Little Ely, different to-day from the usual quiet of such a small Cathedral city. There were lorries and farm carts continually passing through the streets loaded with Gault, which is really a clay-like soil obtained from the Fens; sacks and bags of sand, and loads of faggots on their way to the danger spots.

The main Cambridge—Ely road, over which one has to pass, was closed to heavy traffic, and it was only with difficulty that cars could pass along it. In one part, for about a mile, the road is banked up and water was pouring over it from the side which was flooded on to the low-lying land on the other side. Men were busy making a parapet of sand bags to stop the flow, as there was a fear that the road would crumble. Over the thousands of acres of the Fen Land the fear is the same, that the banks may give, which would mean a disaster which would take a long time to repair.

To those who are unacquainted with the Fens it perhaps seems a remarkable thing that so many acres of land are in danger, but when it is realised how low this land is it is easily understandable. One can go for many miles through the Fens and not come to any hills of any kind, and once flood water gets through it would cover thousands of acres to a depth of several feet.

In one place on the main Cambridge to King's Lynn road, the banks which keep the water in stand about 15 feet above the level of the road, and the water is now up to the top—these banks are some of the many which are being constantly patrolled night and day.

The people of the Fens are truly wonderful, the men are working in many places over their knees in mud, whilst even the women-folk have been helping filling the bags with soil, working in the mud without shoes and stockings. In spite of it all they still keep cheerful. I called to one to-day who was laying bags of sand on the Cambridge

—Ely road, and he immediately informed me that things were better to-day, though the water hadn't gone down even an inch.

It is this spirit which is keeping the men working, although in some places they fear they are fighting a losing battle. In the very low-lying parts some families have already left their homes, but in others the people are carrying on as usual, hoping for the best.

It is the earnest hope of all the Fen folk now that we shall have no more rain for the next few days. If we do have more heavy falls many of the farmers will be ruined, and devastation will cover thousands of acres.

C.W.C.

OUR PHYSICAL TRAINING NEEDS.

During the debate in the House of Commons concerning the Government plans for Physical Training, a very popular member for one of the Scottish Divisions advocated the provision of interesting sport and games for the masses with the health results as a by-product rather than the objective.

"I play golf," he went on, and after a pause, "perhaps that is a bit of swagger on my part—(laughter). But I like to go out on the golf course and play "—(more laughter).

Another Member: What is your handicap?

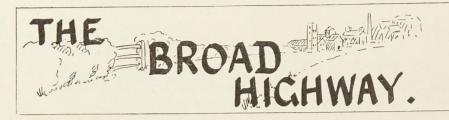
The Scottish M.P.: My handicap is a much too great absorption in the polictial activities of this country. I am in the position of the clergyman who, after a very bad round on the course said, "I doot I will ha' to give it up." His friend exclaimed in horror, "What, give up golf?" "No, the meenistry," he replied—(laughter from all sections of the House).

The moral of all this was that young people should be given facilities for physical exercise, which was good fun.

* * * HOLIDAYS.

If you have had a good holiday, and were fortunate in finding a good holiday address, would you please send it along to the Editor. Now is the time, whilst the memories of a pleasant time are still fresh in your mind.

Your pleasure this year will be somebody else's next.



After an autumn and early winter of excessive rainfall and very little really cold weather, it has been an unpleasant shock to have such wintry conditions during the month of March when we can reasonably look forward to some early spring-like days. Even in the South we have had a lot of snow, and roads have been actually closed for a considerable length of time. In the North and Midlands of England, North Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland, Representatives and Van Salesmen have found their journeys to be considerably interfered with. We have before us a letter from one of our Representatives where he describes skidding into a snow-drift and then having to get assistance to dig out his car, the only damage being a broken glass in the head lamp. He goes on to describe travelling along a oneway road cut through the snow for 40 to 50 miles, on either side of the road a solid wall of snow 6ft, to 8ft, in height.

No doubt there are a number of other Representatives who have also had similar experiences and we hope we shall soon see the finish of these conditions.

From Yorkshire we have received a number of snow pictures, taken from the local Press, which recall some of the scenes which we are accustomed to see in illustrations taken from the American Press.

Easter is drawing near, and when this holiday is over we shall have very little time before the Coronation and Whitsuntide are upon us.

We look forward to a busy time during these next two months, particularly with the help of the special Coronation goods which we are bringing out for sale during this period. There is already considerable enquiry for special goods for use in connection with the festivities, and this should undoubtedly lead to a considerable fillip to business all over the country.

Immediately Easter is over we shall see

the opening of the Ideal Home Exhibition. There is always a vast amount of last minute work to be carried out, and besides breaking into the holiday for a large number of people, unavoidably it must add very considerably to the cost to the organisers.

Van Salesman C. E. Thomas has been appointed to Van 54, Cardiff.

The sympathy of everyone goes out to Mr. W. Pugsley in the great loss which he has sustained in the death of Mrs. Pugsley on the 17th February.

We sympathise with Van Salesman Summers, of Gillingham, in the serious injury to his foot which has kept him away from work for some six weeks. We are glad to say that he is now much better and hopes shortly to make a start again.

J.H.G.

One of our Van Salesmen has sent on some amusing extracts from accident reports for insurance purposes quoted by the Managing Director of a prominent firm of carriers at the annual supper of his company's staff. They include the following:—

"The accident was due to the other fellow narrowly missing me."

"To avoid a collision I ran into the other car."

"Three women were all talking to each other, and when two stepped back and one stepped forward I had to have an accident."

"I consider that neither vehicle was to blame, but if either were to blame it was the other one."

"I knocked over a man, who admitted that it was his fault as he had been knocked over before."

"I unfortunately knocked over a pedestrian, and the old gentleman was taken to hospital much regretting the circumstances."

"She suddenly saw me, lost her head, and we met."



CLUB NOTES.

We intimated some time ago that four cues had been presented by Mr. Bodinnar, Mr. Redman, Mr. T. W. Petherick, and Mr. G. C. Brown for competition among the billiards and snooker enthusiasts.

The first two handicaps, which attracted an entry of 66 for billiards and 45 for snooker, were concluded in the early part of January, the winners being:—

BILLIARDS.

SEMI-FINAL.—S. Salter (owes 40), 151; J. W. Jackett (receives 10), 125. H. Stevens (receives 30), 152; W. Salter (receives 10), 115.

> Final.—H. Stevens, 151; S. Salter, 111. SNOOKER.

SEMI-FINALS.—W. Arkell (owes 5), beat W. Salter (receives 10), 43—51, 59—47, 50—48. S. Toogood (scratch) beat F. Culley (receives 10), 64—52, 53—32.

Final.—S. Toogood beat W. Arkell, 44—29, 54—32.

The remaining knock-out competitions to determine the winners of the other two cues are now well under weigh, and the number of entries received for each of these indicates the keenness of the club members who wield a cue to secure one of these coveted trophies.

The handicaps have been revised where necessary in view of the results of the previous competitions, so that everyone who has entered stands a sporting chance of carrying off the prize, and the previous winners who are "defending their title" will be assured of stern opposition.

The League competition is also nearing completion. One team, Slaughter B, have actually completed their programme, and incidentally their total of 58 points already ensures that their name will be the first to appear on the President's Cup, as no other team can reach this total.

We would ask the players in the knockout snooker and billiards competition, and also the League teams, to assist by playing off their matches as early as possible.

As soon as the competitions are finished a social evening will be held, at which the League Cup and the prize cues will be presented; also the prizes for the runners-up. We are very pleased to announce that Mr. Bodinnar has promised to attend this function and hand over the prizes, and we feel sure that it will be an unqualified success.

LADIESHOCKEY

Of the last nine matches, six have been scratched, and mostly through weather conditions. Of the three played one was won, one drawn, and one lost. On January 16th we entertained Marlborough, and went down by 1 goal to 6, Molly Angell being our scorer. At Devizes, on February 13th, we gained an unexpected win by 1 goal to 0. Vivienne Woodward signalled her last turnout for the club by scoring the only goal of the match. On March 13th, against Avon Rubber Co., at Melksham, we shared six goals, after being three up at the interval. Kathleen Angell (2) and Frances Henly (1) were our scorers.

One of our opponents' goals was the result of our members not playing to the whistle. A player was injured, and while one or two of our players went to her assistance, our opponents went through and scored. In all these matches Margaret Angell, our goalkeeper, has shown exceptional brilliance, and it is to her skilful keeping that our record is not worse than it is.

SKITTLES SECTION.

One of the most exciting seasons was brought to a hectic close on Tuesday, the 9th March, by a game between the Boning Department team and the Slaughter B team to decide the championship and which team would hold the "Bodinnar Cup."

Both teams had tied for first place after

22 games had been played.

The final produced a thrilling and keen game, and actually necessitated an extra leg to decide the winner.

The last man of the Slaughter team was given a very hard task at the end of the third leg in being asked to obtain 10 pins to win. He made a very brave show and managed to knock down 9 pins to equalise the score.

At the end of the extra leg the Boning Department ran out winners by the small

margin of three pins.

It is pleasing to record that the game was played throughout in the spirit in which all games should be played, and the losers were the first to congratulate H. Miller, the Boning captain.

The total scores are as follows:—

Boning 326 Pins.

Slaughter ... 323 ,,

The Skittles Section are indebted to Mr. J. Green (Conservative Club) and Mr. S. Miles (Liberal Club), who acted as umpire and linesman respectively.

The match, by the way, was witnessed

by 140 spectators.

The arrangements were admirably carried out by Mr. R. Stanley, the Club secretary.

G.W.R. "SHUNT" CALNE AT SKITTLES.

Another enjoyable evening was spent on Friday, March 5th, with the visit from Swindon of the G.W.R. mixed skittle team.

There were 24 players on each side, and as it would have taken rather a long time to play the three legs, only two were played. No-one could say the match was keenly contested because the spirit of the players was so care-free, and everybody had that sort of feeling, "Who cares who wins, let's have a good time!" Well, they had their good time, and after the "re-count," when it was found Swindon had won by two pins, Calne didn't seem a bit disappointed, and Swindon didn't throw their hats in the air, so you can just imagine the spirit that prevailed.

Refreshments followed, and here, once again, the Ladies' Committee proved their worth as members of this section. I venture to say that it would be a job to find a harder-

working Ladies' Committee than these. Thank you, ladies.

Everybody appeared to be having great fun at the dance that followed. The secretary was well away with a bottle of milk, until some of our amateur drum players, with the "keep fit" movement in their minds, thought better of it and decided to start training right away, and so the milk disappeared.

Dancing finished at 11.30 p.m., much to everybody's disappointment, but we had to consider our visitors. So once again we hope Swindon took away happy memories of the Harris Welfare Association. The G.W.R. Secretary told me they enjoyed this visit even more than the last one, and that's saying something. He hopes to arrange an evening on the same lines, which should be very enjoyable, when we pay them the return visit. It is hoped then that Calne will do the shouting.

S.T.

"SAUSAGES AND TOBACCO" GO WELL TOGETHER

No, this is not a recipe taken from the "New Harris Recipe Book," but just a way of expressing the meeting at skittles of our ladies and Wills'. The Swindon ladies, with friends from the G.W.R., numbering about forty in all, arrived just after eight o'clock.

The match that followed was keenly contested, and, although Swindon proved rather easy winners, it was thoroughly enjoyed by players and spectators. The Swindon skittlers are used to playing three of their team straight off, so, falling in with our visitors' method of playing, we attempted to "smoke them out." Calne won the toss and set Swindon to start the pins falling. Calne had the better of it for the first six throws, but after that Swindon took the lead and never lost it, running out winners by 265 to 229. "Pop-eye" was the star turn of the Swindon team, and didn't those pins know it. We began to think there wouldn't be a "spare" during the match, until Swindon's anchor man-sorry, ladycame along with one. Amid great shouting and clapping the spare ball was thrown. Silence reigned for a few seconds, then once again the alley was in an uproar. "A grand score, ladies!" "No, sorry, the darn thing went through." Our ladies tried hard to stem the tide, but it was of no use; the

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Heritage Digitised by Calne Swindonites had the lead and meant to keep it, and, as you already know, they did.

The match over, refreshments were taken, and while these were being disposed of the alley was prepared for the dance to follow. Although we were expecting 20 instead of the 40 visitors from Swindon, the Ladies' Committee of the Skittles Section showed their ability to overcome all obstacles and great credit must be given them for not letting this extra call on the refreshments be a mar to the undoubted success of the evening.

Dancing commenced about 9.45, and Mr. Harold Rutty once again proved his ability at the piano, in keeping well over a hundred dancers in a happy mood. This third dance was a great success, and, although the evening was brought to a close at 11.30 p.m., we feel sure everyone was satisfied and pleased to have spent such a delightful evening. Just one more item. The lucky-number chocolates proved very successful. This was drawn for by a Swindon lady, and somehow or other a number belonging to a Swindonite would come out, and so we had to give them best in that, too. But I feel positive the Calne ladies will not take all this lying down, so I think I had better warn Swindon to look out next time.

Writer's comments:—A very jolly evening; the Swindon crowd sporty and a happy lot, in fact, one of the best; a "blend" Harris' and Wills' can be proud of. We can do with more of these meetings. "What's that?" "Oh, good." The preceding remarks mean that the men are not going to be bested by the ladies and have arranged to play the men of the G.W.R. at skittles. "Well done." S.T.

DRAMATIC SECTION.

Rehearsals are now in full swing for our performances on April 27th and 28th of "Charley's Aunt," which we hope will be presented to full houses on these dates. Fifty per cent. of our proceeds are to be given to the Calne Coronation Celebrations Fund, so we hope our activities will appeal to a much wider public than usual.

This play has been called the greatest of all farcical comedies and has been played all over the world. It has been translated into 18 foreign languages and 44 companies have simultaneously toured with it.

It will greatly facilitate arrangements if bookings are made early.

AN AMUSING EPISODE FROM "CHARLEY'S AUNT."



"We three firls want to be alone

Friends Elsewhere.



SKITTLES SECTION.

VISIT FROM CALNE.

On Friday, 12th February, 1937, we had the pleasure of entertaining our Calne friends. Although it was the third time this season that the two teams had been in opposition, much interest was displayed in the match. The two previous matches were won by Calne with a margin of 52 pins. We did not anticipate that this deficit would be entirely wiped off, but we had visions of a win at our alley. Anyhow, Calne proved that their two victories over us were no fluke by again finishing with an advantage of 25 pins. Once again a most enjoyable evening soon passed away and we hope our Harris friends enjoyed their visit to Chippenham.

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VISIT FROM WEST END CLUB

The return match with the members of the West End Club was played on Friday, 19th February, 1937. This proved to be one of the keenest matches we have had this season, with only the small margin of 7 pins between the two teams. When they met on January 22nd it was naturally thought that this match would be another close fight.

The first leg finished with 1 pin in our favour, and we were able to increase this lead during the second leg by another 5 pins. Our opponents made great efforts to reduce our lead in the final leg, but luck played a great part in the game, and we were able to say we had won the match with the smallest margin possible, that of 1 pin.

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MARRIAGES.

On Saturday, 30th January, Mr. Dennis Woodley, of the Factory Staff, was married to Miss Doris Greenslade, late of the Bacon Packing Department. Both were held in esteem by their workmates in their respective departments, and it must have been a great pleasure to them to receive from the hands of our Chief, at the annual social, on 6th February, an overmantle, carrying from the members of the Factory good wishes for their future.

At the Parish Church, Chippenham, on Saturday, 6th February, the marriage was solemnised between Mr. W. Jefferies and Miss Gwendoline Gregory. Mr. Jefferies has been a member of our Office Staff for some three years, and during that time has won the respect of all associated with him. We all wish him and his wife every health and happiness for their future.

DANCE.

A most successful dance was held in the Town Hall, Chippenham, on Saturday, 20th February, 1937, when a company of over 150 danced to music provided by Harold Church and his Embassy Band.

The entire arrangements were carried out by the committee of the Welfare Association, Miss Janet Elgar being responsible for the refreshments.

As a result of this effort the funds of the association will benefit to the extent of about f2.

ILLNESS.

We are sorry to report that we have several members of the Factory Staff on the sick list this month. Messrs. A. Holley, J. Weaver, and A. Hawkins have fallen victims of the prevailing epidemic of influenza. We trust, however, that before this is in print they will have recovered their usual health.

Mr. E. Archard, of the Cellar Department, who underwent an operation for appendicitis, is making good progress, but we are sorry Mr. A. Day has not made sufficient improvement that will enable him to return to work.

Mr. W. Jefferies, of the Office Staff, who, unfortunately, is suffering from eye trouble, has been away the last few weeks, but it is pleasing to know that he hopes to return to his usual position in a week's time.

With pleasure we have been able to

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welcome back Mr. W. Thomas (Bradenham Ham Department) and Mr. W. Webb, our night watchman, after several weeks' absence. We sincerely hope they will now enjoy lasting health.

W.H.W.



We at Dunmow held our annual social this year on February 13th, and the success of this function was greatly added to by the fact that our Chief and President, Mr. J. F. Bodinnar, was with us. Dunmow is somewhat off the map, and we do appreciate Mr. Bodinnar's kindness in journeying up to take part in this annual affair.

The company of about 110 sat down to a very delightful repast, after which we had a Concert Party from Chelmsford, who entertained us with songs and monologues, &c., for two hours, and then the floor was cleared for the usual "hop," the music for which was supplied by Mr. Dobson's band.

We were very pleased to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Ludgate, from Ipswich, together with quite a large party of colleagues from that factory, and Mr. and Mrs. Coles and party, from London. We were also very pleased to welcome Mr. and Mrs. Savage. also from London, Mr. Savage representing Messrs. Marsh & Baxter's interests in that

The night was not a very pleasant one. and we do realise that all those friends of ours must have very stout hearts to journey to Dunmow to take part in our Social. We can assure them that we were very, very pleased to see them, and hope that they will all come again.

The general feeling is that everyone had a good time, and we are all looking forward to a similar event next year.

We should like to welcome some of our friends from farther afield, but I suppose it is rather an unreasonable request to ask them to come, as Dunmow is a very difficult place to get to, but if any of our friends who read this article feel they would like to come next year, we can assure them of a very happy welcome.

We were very delighted to have the company of a number of our friends who represent this Company on the Broad Highway, and also some of those who represent our parent Company and Harris (Ipswich), Ltd. We hope everyone had a really good time. O.I.S.

We are pleased to be able to give in this month's issue extracts from Mr. Bodinnar's speech, delivered at our social gathering on the 13th February, 1937.

Another of our staff is writing up the social in separate notes. What we would like to add here is an extra word by way of appreciation for what is now being done for

We, at Dunmow, have felt for some time the need for recreative facilities, but could not progress far on account of lack of funds, and we were overjoyed when Mr. Bodinnar, during his trip to Dunmow, made it possible for us to proceed with our ideas by placing at our disposal funds in the shape of a loan and direct gift from the Firm, as well as a handsome personal gift. Our staff, both inside and out, also very readily pay out of their wages and salaries regular weekly contributions, and all these gifts, loans, &c., put together, mean that we, as a branch, have it in our power to go forward on the recreative side of things. We are hoping and believing that we shall not be slow to give proof that we are gaining full benefits in this direction.

The following are the extracts from Mr. Bodinnar's speech.

EXTRACTS FROM SPEECH BY J. F. BODINNAR, Esq., 1937 SOCIAL, FEBRUARY 13TH.

. . . Well, I don't know whether you are very fond of Stanley Holloway, but I have rather a weakness for that fellow, who used to be a member of the Co-Optimists Entertainment Party, and who very often nowadays treats us to a delightful quarter of an hour by broadcasting from London.

I was thinking just now of that most famous item in his repertoire, which deals with a very wonderful chap called Sam, who possessed a musket, and who, by accident. seemed to let it fall, and who resisted the persuasions, the exhortations, and the commands of everybody until the old Duke of Wellington came up and spoke to him and told him what he ought to do, and at the Duke's word Sam picked up his musket, and then the Duke said, "Let battle commence." Well, I don't know how many Sams there are in Dunmow: I should be very sorry indeed to think there were any

Well, now, my point in this is one that I hope you will see. We cannot afford to wait when there is a job of work to be done. If you let your tool drop, don't wait for somebody to tell you to pick it up, but darn well get on with it quick, and make up for the lost moment. Don't stand on ceremony: get on with the job. Don't consider that you are exactly in a water-tight department and that you have got to receive special government instructions before you can do what is necessary, but lend a hand at the moment it is required, and it is surprising how merrily and smoothly work will be done. Now you know why I hope that in Dunmow

there are no Sams . ..

I look upon this happy gathering here to-night, with such large numbers from Ipswich, and with this good contingent from London, gathering in Dunmow, as representing a sort of complete triangle, which, I believe, to represent quite truly the sort of bonds which exist between every factory with which we have to do. That is something that is worth working for, and it was with that in mind that perhaps I listened with rather more sympathy than otherwise would have been the case to the very eloquent exposition of the need for more social activities in connection with the factory here at Dunmow. For some time your very competent Works Council have been pointing out the need for a proper Mess Room, and out of that Mess Room idea there has grown this larger thing of having two or three rooms that would be available not only for mess purposes during the day, but for recreation purposes during the evening. It is the policy of the Board of Directors to encourage that side of things, without being "sloppy" or sentimental about it. They like to do it in such a way that those who are going to share in it will have some definite stake in it

themselves. For example, I was on Wednesday night attending a similar gathering to this at our Kidlington factory, near Oxford, and the gathering took place there in a very large hut, which had been acquired for the purpose of a Mess Room, and for games and so on at night. Every brick that had to go into the foundation there upon which this building rested was put in in their spare time by men in the factory. Every section of that hut was built by them in their spare time. Every bit of wiring that was necessary for the electrical illumination of the place was done by the electricians in the factory in their spare time. So that when the hut was completed, while the cost of it has been paid by the Firm, the hut had been built by those who were going to use it, and mighty proud those young fellows are of their part in that. I throw that out to you as a hint.

I am told you are wanting a billiard table. Well, I will myself give a billiard table and the fittings to go with it, and I do it because I hope that it may be possible to have a game of billiards without always having to drink when you are playing billiards. It will be there for those who don't always want to go and have a glass of beer at the pub; not that I have any objection to that, although I don't go because it does not agree with me. I have no point in that at all, but it is not always desirable that young fellows who are trying to make their way should always go to places for their entertainment where they have to spend more money than they can afford. I hope in this place which the Firm are going to help you to get that there will be some manual labour done by those who are interested in it.

Now don't get too worried about the future in this industry. One of your representatives on the Works Council, when I met them this morning, asked me this: "Is it likely that we shall be discharging our hands because pigs are short?" I want to say this to you. This is the time of year when pigs are always shorter than they are any other time of the year. Don't, therefore. judge these months when pigs are going off into pork and not into bacon by what will happen later in the year.

As to the future. There are many problems associated with the running of the Schemes, and you all know what has happened in regard to the contracts for 1937. There is no man who sits on the Bacon Marketing Board who does not know that he acted as he ought to have acted when he turned down the contracts for 1937, and he knows that he was right in doing that, because he could not be a party to any Scheme that was not really British. And no piece of legislation and no Marketing Scheme can represent the truly British spirit of fair play and equitable dealing that does not give a chance to everybody who comes under that control. . . .

So at the moment we are back in the old way of buying pigs, except that on Monday next we are going to make an honest attempt to buy every pig in accordance with the determination recently made by the Pigs Marketing Board

I should hate it, like I hate the devil, if after these three or four years of hard and solid work, when we have increased our staffs in all our factories, any of us were bound to throw up the sponge and say we have got to sack men because of the stupidity of any body of people in this land with whom we have had to do, and I can assure you that your Directors are most anxious in using every power they have in the unique position they hold in the industry, to continue to give a fair, square, and a lasting deal to those of you who have pledged your support, and given your loyalty to us in the carrying on of our business. It would be no light or easy thing for any of us to have to know that we have had to discharge any of our men, and I am hoping, and praying, that, as a result of the urgent work that we are doing night and day to get a quick solution to this problem, we shall not have to dispose of any of our labour.

Don't ask me to say more than that to-night. I am not even at liberty to say what are the proposals which we have put up to the Minister, but that they are complete and sound and calculated in every respect for the pig producer in all his difficulties, for bacon curers with all theirs, and for the consumer—they are calculated to give results that ought to mean prosperity, security, and happiness for a long term of years to all concerned.

Now I have a motto to-night for myself, and I have been trying to croon it over to myself during the last very exacting fortnight, and it is just a line that comes in that wonderful national song, "Land of Hope and Glory." I have tried to think of this industry of ours, of all the loyalties, friend-

ships, with which I have been honoured for now over 30 years in our factories. I have tried to think of the job we have had in hand together, and of the great experiment your Directors took in agreeing to a Marketing Scheme, and I have tried to say to myself that this labour of love and all these ideals cannot possibly be wasted and fall to the ground. I have had a bad throat, so I have not been able to sing it, but coming down in the train this morning I was trying to croak it out in the carriage, where I was all alone, as representing our industry: "Wider still and wider shall thy bounds be set..."

So don't think that you are on a sinking ship. I know I am not, and if we are together on the same ship, and are go ahead, and have faith and good courage and, above all, loyalty, well, we are jolly well going to get our ship into smoother and better waters.

I am very delighted to be in Dunmow again to-night.



The occasion of our third annual Social provided us with pleasurable anticipation for a long while in the knowledge that Mr. Bodinnar had promised to be with us, and it was a great day on March 5th when we knew that our Chief, in spite of all his many activities, was able to be with us and spend a while with the Works Council, and meet the employees and their friends at the social function held in the Parish Hall in the evening.

A different procedure was adopted this year by commencing with a supper, at which a company of about 100 people sat down at tastefully-decorated tables and enjoyed an excellent repast.

Mr. Taylor, at the outset of his remarks, expressed the grateful thanks of all to Mr. Bodinnar for his kindness in joining with us in our social gathering, and he wished to

assure him of the loyal support of everyone at the Eastleigh Factory.

Mr. Bodinnar, who was very warmly applauded, said how pleased he was to again meet all his friends at Eastleigh. In referring to a well-known person, Stanley Holloway and his character, "Sam," Mr. Bodinnar said that in working together in a difficult battle we must be careful not to play the part of "Sam," who had to be persuaded to do his job of work. Mr. Bodinnar then referred to the 1937 Contracts, when he said that they were cancelled because it was impossible to have any scheme or legislation in England which can be successful unless that legislation is truly British in its application, and if anything is done which is not true in that tradition there is no possibility of things being made a success, and the position was that while some factories had a fair supply of pigs, others were faced with the problem of small supplies, and in 54 cases of no pigs at all.

We are now (Mr. Bodinnar continued) hoping to see this matter through, so that every Pig Producer and Bacon Curer in this country will have a reasonably fair deal, and for the time being, until the necessary revisions are made, the determination of the Pigs Marketing Board would be carried out. We are now going forward with our plans in the interest of all concerned, and I don't want you to get downhearted. His message concluded in an encouraging and hopeful vein, and, after listening with very deep interest, we all felt a growing confidence for the future.

We only wish it were possible to have Mr. Bodinnar with us on more occasions, as so much inspiration is derived from his visits, but we are very grateful indeed that we can have the pleasure of his company once a year at least.

Mr. Bodinnar, with a few encouraging words, then presented the Silver Medal (for 20 years' service) to L. S. Jones.

At the conclusion of the supper the Eastleigh Versatile Concert Party, under the direction of Mrs. Stone, gave a splendid entertainment, which was thoroughly enjoyed and which greatly helped towards the success of the evening.

Dancing commenced soon after ten o'clock with Mr. E. Stone, an efficient M.C., the music being supplied by Jan Ridge and his Band. The remainder of the evening was spent in this pleasant way, and the end

came all too quickly, but one and all agreed that it was a very enjoyable evening and one which will long be remembered.

A word of thanks is due to the Committee for the valuable work in organising and carrying through this annual event to a successful conclusion.

We are sorry that Mr. L. Brown was compelled to enter hospital for an operation, but we are glad that it was a success, and we were pleased to see him and also Mr. F. Beckett for a short while at the social.

L.S.J.



We are sorry to report that Mr. We Gunningham is away on the sick list, and to him we wish a very speedy recovery to health and strength.

Mr. E. Hooper and Mr. W. H. G. Young, jnr., have also had to lie up, and to them we wish quick return to work.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. W. Meaker on the death of his father.

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LEAGUE SKITTLES.

"KNOCK OUT" CUP COMPETITION

As we were successful in passing through the first round of this competition we were in hopes we should be able to scrape through the semi-final, but alas our hopes were not to be realised as we were beaten by the M.C.C. by a margin of 22 pins, although up to the last hand it was anyone's game as the M.C.C. were only leading on the sixth hand by 5 pins. Unfortunately, our team played a rather weak game in the final hand, when, with only a small margin, it should have been our best hand. The M.C.C. made no mistake about their score on the last hand, making it the highest score of the evening.

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Mr. W. J. Pople was the highest scorer with a total of 55 pins, and Mr. R. C. Lynham second with a score of 50 pins.

The Ring of Bells alley, on which the competition was played, is not one of the best, and if a player has a 6-7 hand it is considered good play.

"ANNE KIDLEY" CUP COMPETITION.

The fifth round in this popular competition was played on Friday, the 26th February, 1937, and, as foretold, the lead has again changed hands, and we are pleased to say that our veteran player. Mr. W. J. Pople, has succeeded in placing himself first with a margin of 8 pins from the runner-up, Mr. G. Pearse, and with Mr. A. H. Hill hard on his heels. The sixth and final match in this competition should prove very exciting as there are only 12 pins separating the fourth man from the top score.

We have pleasure in giving individual scores as follows:—

Total to 4th Rnd. 5th Rnd. Tot.

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| 1.—W. J. Pople | 224 | 73 | 297 |
| 2.—G. Pearse | 224 | 65 | 289 |
| 3.—A. H. Hill | 233 | 55 | 288 |
| 4.—H. Beasley | 228 | 57 | 285 |
| 5.—R. C. Lynham | 219 | 59 | 278 |
| 6.—E. Cann | 226 | 51 | 277 |
| 7.—C. B. Shier | 220 | 50 | 270 |
| H. Neath | 212 | 58 | 270 |
| 8W. H. G. Young, sen. | 208 | 58 | 266 |
| 9.—D. Smith | 215 | 50 | 265 |
| 10.—H. Hardwidge | 214 | 50 | 264 |
| 11.—J. Swaine | 216 | 47 | 263 |
| 12.—H. C. Marsh | 213 | 49 | 262 |
| 13.—A. Holley | 215 | 40 | 255 |
| 14.—H. Ham | 193 | 59 | 252 |
| 15.—F. Pople | 197 | 49 | 246 |
| 16.—J. Young | 202 | 43 | 245 |
| 17.—H. Blackmore | 198 | 46 | 244 |
| 18.—R. Gibbs | 186 | 47 | 233 |
| 19.—W. J. Young | 215 | _ | 215 |
| 20.—A. Solomon | 182 | | 182 |

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having missed two matches.

R. Hooper automatically drops out,

We extend our sympathy to Mr. H. F. J. Besley upon the bereavement he has suffered by the death of his father.

Every square mile of the ocean has a population of 120,000,000 fish.



CHILDREN'S TEA AND ANNUAL WORKS SOCIAL

The 7th children's tea and ninth annual works social were held at the Crown and Anchor Hotel on Saturday, January 16th, under the auspices of the Harris (Ipswich) Sports and Social Club.

In the afternoon some 70 children were the guests of Mr. Bodinnar, and a very jolly time they had with games, a cinematograph show, tea (and *such* a tea), winding up with the grand presentation of toys from the great Christmas tree by Father Christmas himself. As in previous years, the tree and toys thereon were given by Mr. and Mrs. Ludgate.

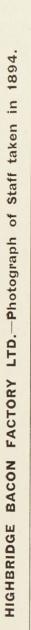
Mr. Bodinnar, together with Mr. and Mrs. Ludgate, paid the children a visit during the afternoon, and thoroughly enjoyed the scenes of youthful happiness which their kindness had rendered possible. Mrs. Ludgate was presented with a bouquet, on the children's behalf, by little Miss Barbara Storey, whilst Father Christmas (whose garb but thinly veiled the burly form of Mr. George Gegg) found that he had a box of cigarettes each for Mr. Bodinnar and Mr. Ludgate.

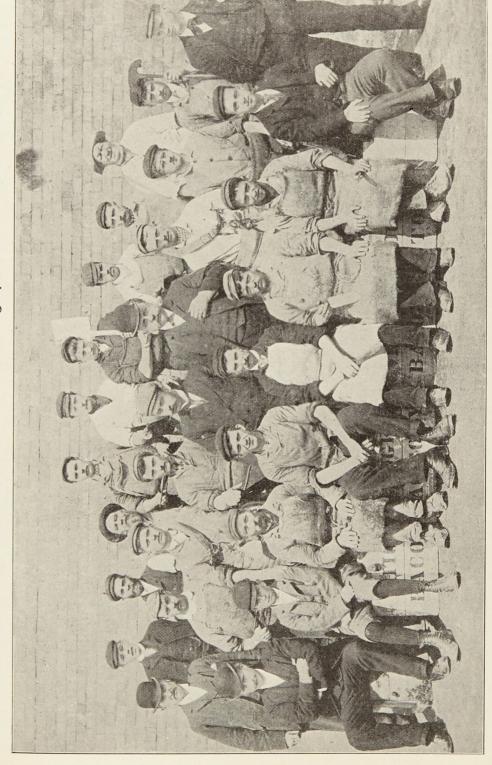
During the afternoon a football match had been played—Ipswich v. Dunmow—in which the Flitch boys "had their own back," and emerged victorious from a jolly sporting game, winning by 6 goals to the Ipswich team's 5.

The evening's events opened with a dinner, Mr. Ludgate taking the chair, with Mr. Bodinnar, the Club's President, as the guest of honour, together with Mr. Culpin and party from Dunmow, and Mr. and Mrs. Coles from London. The toast-list was commendably brief. Mr. Fry proposed "The Club," and Mr. Secretary Storey responded.

Mr. Mackenzie proposed "The Visitors," Mr. Culpin responding, and the Chairman, Mr. Ludgate, proposed "The President."

Mr. Bodinnar, in a speech of marked feeling and sincerity, referred to his previous





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visit to our social, two years ago, and the "challenge" which Ipswich had made, and he had accepted, as the result of which he found our sports, social, and welfare activities to be to-day in a very flourishing condition. In fact, he said, we were almost getting where he wanted us to be.

Mr. Bodinnar paid a tribute to the work of the chairman, committee, "and by that excellent secretary of yours—Storey," and referred to the pleasure he had felt in being amongst the crowd of happy children that afternoon.

Turning to graver matters, Mr. Bodinnar referred to the very anxious time which he and those associated with him were experiencing. Never, he said, in the course of a strenuous life had he undergone such a period of anxiety, but from it would emerge something greater and better than that which we had hitherto experienced. At the moment, and for a while, he asked for the patience, sympathy, and loyalty of us all.

Speaking with emotion, Mr. Bodinnar referred to the position of those whose employment in our factories depends so much on the Firm's efforts, and the dread in his mind that for a while there may not be enough work for them to do. In conclusion, he suggested a New Year's resolution, "That we have turned corners before, and if we stand together now, we are darned well going to turn this one."

After dinner the company was entertained by an excellent concert party, "The Whistlers," followed by dancing to the music of the Delecta Dance Band, whilst a whist drive, games, &c., provided entertainment for all.

The prizes were presented to the fortunate winners by Mrs. Ludgate and, very regretfully, the party dispersed.

The arrangements for both the afternoon and evening events were carried out by the Secretary and Committee of the Sports and Social Club, in their usual smooth and efficient manner, and great credit is due to them for their successful organisation.

A.H.M.

An Editorial reminder, written more in sorrow than in anger, points out that we have been remiss in our contributions to the Magazine. Feeling very guilty, we proceed to remedy the omission.

Nineteen thirty-seven has, on the whole,

so far proved rather uninspiring, with a dull and wet January, and a February record for rain. (Incidentally, to-day is March 1st, and we have had quite a respectable snowstorm).

Socially, the high spots were our own children's tea and works social, on January 16th, and the social at Dunmow, held on February 13th, both very successful functions. Happily, Mr. Bodinnar was able to be present at each of these events, in spite of the many demands on his time.

Undeterred by the atrocious weather, our Sports and Social Club have been visualising summer days, and are busy arranging a programme of sports activities, whilst a ballot was held re the works outing, resulting in a win for a trip to London.

The annual struggle for the Ludgate Cup—a darts competition—was won by the Office Men's team, with the Slaughter House and Lard Department as joint runners-up, after a very keenly-played series of matches. Another cup is to be put up for competition, presented by Mr. Ludgate (Ipswich) and Mr. Culpin (Dunmow) jointly. This cup will be competed for by teams from both branches at cricket, football, tennis, steel quoits, parlour quoits, and darts. This promises to be an interesting series of events, and our thanks are due to those two good sportsmen for making it possible.

On January 9th we bade an official farewell to Mr. W. J. Clover (Office), who, after 14 years' service with the Ipswich Branch, was leaving us to take an active part in his father's business. Mr. Ludgate, on our behalf, presented Mr. Clover with a clock, and expressed the feelings of us all when he spoke of the great esteem in which we all held "William," and wished him every success in his future career.

The influenza epidemic did not spare us East Anglians and our sick list was a long one. Things are getting better now, but one or two members of our staff were pretty bad for a while, notably Mr. D. Sherwood (Office), who had an attack of pleurisy. Mr. W. B. Eaton (Bacon Department), Mr. S. Hastings (Box-making), and Mr. Burrows (Stores) are still on the sick list, and we hope they will soon be with us again. Best wishes for a speedy recovery; also to Mr. P. R. Cobb (Office), who is laid low with measles

(and it's no laughing matter, either, you lads!)

Congratulations to Mr. G. Springate on the arrival of a small daughter. Congratulations also, and all good wishes, to Miss F. Rackham, who, on February 27th, became Mrs. George Clarke. A presentation will shortly be made to her to mark our esteem.

On February 19th we bade farewell to Mr. T. Johnston, who left us to take up the temporary post of assistant to the Manager at Redruth. Mr. Johnston had for some time been holding a similar position here, and we wish him every success in his new sphere.

To Mr. W. B. Friggens, who is coming here from Redruth in place of Mr. Johnston, we extend a hearty welcome. Mr. Friggens is not quite a stranger to us, as he was here for some months in, I think, 1923-4, and we hope he will be happy with us.

A.H.M.



This would appear to be an opportune month to turn our thoughts on what we shall call the "Renaissance of Youth," or "Keep Fit" movement in our land. Spring days bring new hopes and pleasurable anticipations to old and young alike, but especially to the "round about twenty's."

It has become fashionable to decry the condition into which many of our young people have developed in this age of mechanical travel, so different from the days when "shanks' mare" was the more prevalent means of making the shorter journeys, and a good tramp across the moors was relished more than a 'bus ride. Briefly, more people were in the open in those days, using their natural frames in a more natural way than has been customary since the advent of the easy but less healthy modes of travel. Perhaps, therefore, it is all to the good that

during the past year or two the spring and summer have been increasingly booked by our youth organisations for rambles, cycling, and sport of all kinds. This, in reasonable, graded doses, is still the best form of physical development; and Germany has shown that a "tramping" nation can bring up the standard of physique more naturally than all the artificial means ever invented.

This is not to say that British Youth is all below par. And we hope that our youth will never be required to recite the lines we understand the youth of another country is trained to utter in unison: "We are born to die for the Fatherland."

Rather, if we must have slogans, let ours be: "We are born to live and be fit for our Motherland." There is great work to be done by this generation, and it behoves everyone to remember the sacredness of the trust of a sound body and mind so that we may be worthy citizens of the land of our birth.

Recently Leeds had the privilege of entertaining a splendid team of Danish gymnasts which came over to display its prowess in the gymnasium. The sense of balance and perfect body control were marvellous, and the agility amazing. It was not surprising to hear that the members were mostly of farming stock and would soon be returning to their natural open-air environment. They recalled to our minds the giant Scots we know down at an Ardlamont farm, near the famous Kyles of Bute, who come up year by year to the Highland Games and win the prizes for wrestling, tossing the caber, and other similar feats of strength.

Perhaps, however, our great cities still breed unwise tastes for spectating rather than taking part in sport and healthy exercise, and it is, therefore, with pleasure that we report that Leeds has decided to spend £110,000 on a modern suite of Central Baths, with a huge gymnasium. This new centre of activity will be fitted up with the very latest equipment, and will, undoubtedly, play a part in the national "Keep fit" movement.

As we think of these fine Swimming Pools for a coming summer, it is a relief to know that the dreary days of this most trying winter are giving place to the long, cheerful, happy, joyful spring days, and that

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soon we shall be able to again enjoy the gladness of warm sunshine.

Our Yorkshire cricketers are busy at the nets already preparing for the season; campers are looking over their kits; and hardy, open-air bathers are growing in numbers. Our rambling clubs and mountaineers are completing their programmes, and our Scouts are getting ready for the Dales.

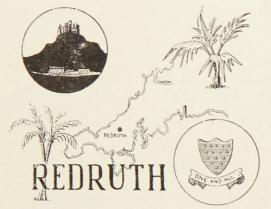
Let us all, therefore, resolve to make this Coronation summer a "Keep fit" summer as a compliment to our King, who has done so much for this excellent move-

THE RHYME OF THE LITTLE PIG

("A quarter mile walk each day improves the quality of a pig's bacon "-Press report. "Millionaires select the left ham as a pig scratches with his right foot only."—Ditto.)

"Phwen you grow up (said Father Pig) —An' do you shtop that Irish jig An' lishten well, me bhoy, to me-You must decide phwat you will be. I am (ses he wid modest squint) 'The gintleman who pays th' rint,' An' have in consequince, bedad! Reshponsibilities, me lad! Instid av jiggin', whirraru! An' dancin' arl day long, like you, I shtroll each day me quarther mile Down by th' duck-pond, round by th' shtile An' thish (ses he) or I'm mistaken, Improves me figure—an' me bacon!, So quit your jiggin' now, will ve, An' shtroll down to th' shtile wid me!" "Begorra!" (said th' Little Pig), "An' wud ye shtop me graceful jig? Phwen I grow up (he ses, ses he), No quarther miles, bedad! for me! Arrah! savs he, wid dreamy smile, "The duck-pond, is it, an' th' stile? I'll take me ease, as a gintleman shud, An' roll an' wallow in th' mud, An' shcratch luxuriantly—but I'll only shcratch wid me right fhut! I'll eat an' grunt, I'll grunt an' eat, Rich shwill av apples, milk, an' wheat, An' phwen me time comes, then bedam', I'll make th' iligint left ham For flavour, tinderness, an' size, Wud make a rich man pop the eyes Av him to see," said th' Little Pig.

An' th' crather wint on wid his Irish jig!



Our annual Social took place on Saturday, the 27th February. We were again honoured by a visit from Mr. Bodinnar, and we are all extremely grateful to him for sparing a day to come down to this branch tucked away in the West Country.

During the evening games were played and solos and duets were sung by members of the factory and office staffs. It seems to us that some of our friends have been "hiding their lights" before this; we had not been expecting to find such operatic stars in our company! After full justice had been done to the refreshments, prominent among which, of course, were the traditional Cornish pasties (it's surprising how those of us who are "up-country" folk can tackle these, and with every enjoyment), Mr. Roynon bade au revoir to Mr. Friggens, who is leaving us for a visit to Ipswich, and extended a welcome to Mr. Johnston, who has come to us from Ipswich. After both had replied Mr. Bodinnar addressed the company. Afterwards he presented the Long Service Medals to :—Silver medal, with one bar, Mr. W. T. Wood: silver medal, Mr. I. Francis and Miss M. M. Williams.

The social ended with community singing, and brought to a close a most successful and enjoyable evening.

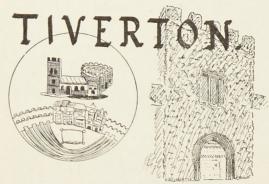
A. J.C.

BOILED RICE WITH FRUIT.

The homely boiled rice makes a delightful pudding which the children appreciate if, when half cooked, a handful or so of stoned raisins or "Sunmaids" are stirred in and the boiling resumed.

Sliced apples, or fresh fruit when in season, may be used instead of raisins.

ELIZABETH.



The employees of this branch had the pleasure of joining Mr. Bodinnar and our Totnes friends at a dinner and social, which were held at Totnes on Saturday, February 20th.

Mr. Bodinnar's speech, which included particulars of the present position of the Pigs Scheme, was listened to with great interest, and his remarks gave us confidence for the future of the bacon industry.

After a very pleasant evening, thanks to the arrangements made by Mr. Powney, and Mr. Ratcliffe, the return journey was soon completed under ideal conditions. We arrived home about one a.m.

Congratulations to I. Lenthall on receiving his 20 years' Service Medal. H.C.

The fact that our social evening was allowed to lapse last year caused us all to look forward with zest to Saturday, February 20th, when a jolly party again mustered for this event, and we had the pleasure of meeting our Chief, and also of welcoming a party of our Tiverton friends, and it must be

said here that the success of our social was greatly enhanced by their breezy presence amongst us. They are real good fellows, and this helped so much to make things go with a swing so that we have no hesitation in saving it will not be the fault of the Totnesians if they are not with us again at our next social and, in fact, at all such future occasions.

After we had partaken of dinner the loyal toast was given, and then Mr. I. N. Powney said: It gives me very much pleasure on your behalf to extend a very cordial welcome to Mr. Bodinnar. He has had a very rushing time this week and has only just returned from a business engagement in Scotland. He carries on his work with amazing energy, although he has only just recovered from a sharp attack of influenza. We do very much appreciate his presence at our social gathering this evening. We missed holding a social last year, but I am delighted to be acting again as your chairman in the presence of Mr. Bodinnar.

I have now spent 25 happy years in Totnes in the service of the Company, and I hesitate a little bit to say that I am the oldest of the Totnes employees, although there are one or two not very far behind me. My father was an old employee of the Calne firm, and, together, we have put in 97 years of service. I am proud of that achievement (these words were greeted with the generous applause that they indeed deserved). We are very pleased to welcome our friends from the Tiverton factory this evening. Some of you have already had an opportunity of having interesting conversations with them. I am glad that Mr. Clemo and his party arrived in time to have a look around our factory, and I hope they will carry away with them pleasant recollections of Totnes and of our social, and that they will visit us again.

Mr. J. F. Bodinnar then addressed the gathering and everyone present listened with the keenest interest to a very impressive speech, which, in addition to dealing with the problems confronting us, was also most helpful and sympathetic. During the course of his address Mr. Bodinnar told us of events concerning the breakdown of the contract system of the Pigs Marketing Scheme and how a great deal of hard work was being done in order to find a satisfactory issue. Finally, Mr. Bodinnar expressed his pleasure

at seeing his Tiverton friends there and at once again being with us at Totnes. Mr. Clemo, the Manager of the Tiverton branch, said how pleased they were to have the opportunity of coming down to Totnes to join in our social and to welcome Mr. Bodinnar, and hoped they would be able to come again.

A silver medal and bar and a silver medal were then presented by our Chief, with his usual kind remarks, to Messrs. E. Smart, of Totnes, and Lentell, of Tiverton, for 25 and 20 years' services respectively.

A hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Bodinnar was then proposed by Mr. R. Park, and seconded by Mr. L. Rogers, followed by the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow."

The entertainment part of the programme commenced with community singing, in which all joined with gusto, followed by some very popular renderings on the ukelele banjo and piano accordion by Messrs. G. Hall and F. Sinclair. After which followed a dart match between Tiverton and Totnes; this was won by the latter, but in fairness to our visitors it must be said that the Totnesians held an immense advantage in having a much larger number from which to select their team. There was also a knock-out dart competition and a whist drive, the prizes at darts being won by Messrs. H. Mills, E. Smart, and H. Hill, whilst at whist the ladies' prize was won by Mrs. Weymouth, and the gents' by W. Palmer. An item which caused much amusement was a frog race in which the ladies took part, and some of their efforts created roars of laughter. A most enjoyable evening came to an end with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" at about eleven p.m., so that our Tiverton friends could scarcely have reached their homes before the early hours, and here's to our next meeting, and so say all of us.

W.J.T.

PIGS.

Why do people always connect disagreeable persons with Pigs?

Our Firm has proved that Pigs may be converted into the highest acme of perfection for the table.

Why not try to influence those people whom we call "Pigs" into more genial habits, and make of them agreeable companions? It's worth trying!

Calne, March, 1937.

FOR SALE.

1935 GRUB "Pullman" TANDEM. Excellent condition. Hub brakes; de-raileur gears; complete with saddle and panier bags; mileometer, etc. "Cost £22; will accept £10.

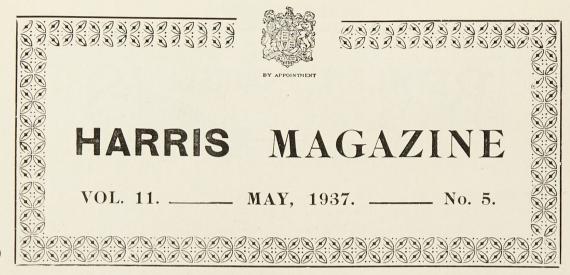
G. HALL,

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INTER-DEPARTMENTAL SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

LEAGUE TABLE AS AT MARCH 31st, 1937.

| | Played. | Won. | Lost. | Drawn. | Pts. Ob. |
|-------------------------|---------|------|-------|--------|----------|
| Boning and Rinding | 70 | 47 | 19 | 4 | 98 |
| Slaughter | 70 | 46 | 20 | 4 | 96 |
| Retort, &c. | 66 | 37 | 25 | 4 | 78 |
| Bacon Packing | 63 | 33 | 28 | 2 | 68 |
| Warehouse, Despatch, &c | 66 | 33 | 32 | 1 | 67 |
| Office | 66 | 33 | 32 | 1 | 67 |
| Kitchen | 66 | 31 | 34 | 1 | 63 |
| Printing, Lard, &c. | 66 | 30 | 33 | 3 | 63 |
| Curing Rooms | 66 | 28 | 35 | 3 | 59 |
| Maintenance | 63 | 22 | 39 | 2 | 46 |
| Engineers | 66 | 22 | 43 | 1 | 45 |
| Traffic, Basement, &c. | 66 | 22 | 44 | 0 | 44 |





be, it is our privilege to help in the making of history. On the morning of Trafalgar, Admiral Collingwood said:—"Now, gentlemen, let us do something to-day which the world may talk of hereafter." These words would have been of little avail, if they had not been translated into action by all ranks down to the youngest midshipman and powder monkey. It is not alone in the dramatic and stirring events of history that the humble individual plays his little part.

From the dawn of history there has always been a background composed of the mass of people whose opposition or consent to conditions prevailing have been deciding factors in determining the course of events.

We cannot stand aloof or separate ourselves from the State. The poorest subject pays his quota of indirect taxation every day and receives protection from injustice and innumerable social benefits in return. It is not our direct contact with the State which finally determines our position in history. There is such a thing as National character, a fluctuating quantity, and its quality is

decided not by our leaders but by the effort of the individual. The thoughts we think, the literature we read, and the lives we live finally decide the public welfare, peace, and tranquillity of the realm.

It is not in the present alone that the effects of National character are felt. John Morley wrote:—"When our names are blotted out, and our place knows us no more, the energy of each social service will remain, and so, too, let us not forget, will each social disservice remain, like the unending stream of one of Nature's forces."

So much for the serious side of our responsibilities. Let us turn to the place of the people in National pageantry. We are a reserved people, but when occasion justifies are prepared to throw off coldness and aloofness and indulge in ecstatic demonstrations of loyalty and acclamation. Such an occasion will occur on May 12th, and when His Majesty and the Queen Consort leave the Abbey, the great welcome will come not only from those who witness their royal progress, but in spirit from millions scattered throughout our far flung Empire whose destiny their sovereignty binds with imperceptible strands,



VITH religious fervour, the observance of age-long ceremonies, and in the rejoicing of his people, our King will go to his solemn Consecration and Crowning in Westminster Abbey, on May 12th, 1937.

Thereafter, the Kingship of George VI. will take on a new note. He will, with his Queen, have willingly and gladly set himself apart for the great work to which unexpectedly he has been called. The success of his mission, while it must depend to a large extent upon his own observance of the Nation's expectation of Kingship, will also, in almost larger part, depend on those over whom he will exercise his influence. There is, in this country, happily, a valuable conception of true democracy in the common interests of King and People. To lead is always better than to drive, provided the leadership is consistently wise, kindly, and alive to the changing conditions of the times.

This is largely an industrial country. The knowledge of His Majesty of industrial conditions is unexcelled. The true and full history of the King's interest in Industrial Welfare has yet to be written. Eight of our own Calne lads have worked and played with the King as Duke of York in his annual Camp. I have been very proud, within the last week or two in deference to the King's wish made known through the Industrial Welfare Society, to make arrangements for four of these lads to have a place in the processional route on Coronation Day, where they will join some hundreds of others who shared with them at differing times the amenities of the Duke of York's Camp. That aspect of the King's interests in less responsible days is only an indication of the

great service he rendered Industry over many years.

His father's life was characterised by simple, common, domestic instincts. It was said by one great man that "He had a common touch." In George VI. we have a King whose own domestic life started with the ordinary romance of true love. Growing out of that there has been an ideal family life with wife and charming daughters. It is at that point of contact that the whole Nation will join most deeply and sincerely in the solemn joy which will come to the King in his crowning at Westminster Abbey.

I was once favoured to hear a wellknown American say to me in New York, "You have a very tiny Island, in which you find your home, but it is a country that speaks loudly to the World because of its home life." We shall not descend the precipices of Bolshevism to the Left, or of Dictatorship to the Right, if the instincts of the Nation are predominantly in the direction of home building in its fullest sense. Amidst all our other thoughts, ideals, and ambitions for our country and our King at Coronation time, I think it is probable that the deepest note of all will be that in his own happiness found in his home he will obtain the inspiration and the strength for all the anxieties and burdens which cannot be divorced from his position as King and Emperor through the years of his reign.

GOD SAVE THE KING!



The Harvest and the Home.

AST month I wrote about Public Entertainment as I saw it in the days before the War. One of the theatres which over a long period drew big crowds was the Adelphi. This theatre was then the home of domestic drama, and the star actor was William Terriss, father of Mrs. Seymour Hicks, who will be known to modern playgoers.

Memories of Bill Terriss were revived when last January the Press reported the death in Broadmoor of Richard Prince. Prince, demented by jealousy of Terriss, stabbed him to death outside the Adelphi, and the theatrical world thereby lost in the prime of his life one of the greatest actors of the time. Terriss was the hero in the Adelphi dramas. I recall him in "Harbour Lights," and other plays of a like nature.

About the same time English farming still held its own, and gave employment to more people than any other English industry, and so English farms often provided the background of the plays of the time. I can remember Terriss in one such play. The scene set as Harvest Home, a very lovely background of a model English farm, and providing a wealth of character acting. The hero returns to release the heroine from the machinations of the villain a part always played in Terriss productions by a sinister-looking fellow, one W. L. Abingdon.

The Harvest Home scene might have been taken from a farm which I remember— Winter Hill Farm-for when I lived at Slough, and a few years after, Winter Hill Farm was farmed by a relative of my father, and we often went there. I was very young and now the detail escapes me, but yet I have memories of the pleasure experienced, and even now that feeling of pleasure has hardly diminished. It arose from things of which at the time I was hardly conscious—my love of beautiful scenery and of birds and flowers, and, although I hardly understood, being too young, the freedom of the country life, the air, the wide spaces and the wild life. It was then all untouched by modernism, a a beautiful country, diversified with field and copse and river. Perhaps this is why I have a dislike for the modern half sort of life which is the lot of people who are cribbed up in London suburbs.

But Winter Hill Farm had become to be just a memory, for by the time the old man died his sons had gone to Cambridge University and into professions, and there was no-one left to carry on and the farm got into other hands, and for fifty years and more had been just a memory until last January, when it was stated in the Press that Winter Hill, just outside Maidenhead, was to be taken over and used for setting up a huge aircraft factory.

I remember how aghast I was to read of this. To me the idea seemed stupid beyond words. If this thing had been done it would have slit up the whole country, for it not only implied the building of a factory, but bringing people along making roads, building houses, and so forth, and that while all the time Durham, Lancashire, Wales were and are crying out for work to re-establish themselves. Well, there was a row, and in the end the idea was given up, and the factory will be erected in Lancashire, in an area which is ready and waiting for it. So Winter Hill Farm will, it seems, be carried on as a farm.

That there should have been such a planout makes one wonder if the powers that be really care about the future of Rural England, and whether they have quite forgotten that the Great War 1914-18 was mostly nearly lost not on the fields of Flanders, but in the fields of England, for, because agriculture had been allowed to drop away, we had little or nothing at hand.

One remembers the frightful panic efforts to bring the soil back into cultivation. We did then what could be done as a last effort. Experience, however, teaches nothing at all, and in spite of 1914-18 the present position of agriculture is much worse than it was in August, 1914. Things must be rather fierce, when in a moment, as it were, it becomes necessary to put up almost untold millions to provide all manner of arms to be used in case of necessity to destroy. It is said we are arming to the teeth. But there are some who say, "What's the use of that if we fail to remember that food stuffs are as much munitions of war as are aircraft." It will be of little avail to spend our millions on aircraft unless at the same time we do something to ward off the perils of starvation. And so to me the harvest and the home must ever go hand in hand.

It is a horrid thought that this year of Coronation we should be thinking so much of destruction, and so little of production. One thing stands clear, and that is suppose (and why not?) that there will be no war, what then? Ultimately we, if civilisation is not destroyed, will have to depend on creative effort, and I am entirely certain that there is no future—no long future—before a country that cannot cultivate its soil. Therefore I am thinking that the real thing we need to make our Coronation Year a great year is to get back to our proper job of making the very best of our countryside.

For years we have been watching it, as it has been partly destroyed and left to perish. So I hope to see a revival. I hope to see the time coming again when a theatre, like the Adelphi, can stage a Harvest Home scene as typical of English life.

I look to the time when there will be a revival of such farms as that I knew at Winter Hill.

R.E.H.



A photograph we here now show, A face that most who see will know, His hearty laughter, smiling way, "Good old Herbert," people say.

Pigs his hobby's always been— One of his charges here is seen— Many's the litter he has bred; In this an example he has led.

One of the old-fashioned sort is he, As straight as any one be can. He's given "Scotcher" as a nickname, But does not mind, he's just the same.

"So carry on, Herbert!" with your smile. We hope you'll keep pigs a long while. When next you have your photo taken The pig in your arms will be "Harris" bacon.

Our French Feature.

LE COURONNEMENT.

Le Couronnement du Roi George VI. et de la Reine Elizabeth aura lieu à Londres, à l'Abbaye de Westminster le 12 Mai, 1937.

Dans une lettre reçue à la fin de l'année dernière l'une de mes amies m'écrivait "La nouvelle famille royale est extrêmement sympathique et le 'Havre-Eclair' a dit que le nouveau Roi aime la France." Parmi la foule considérable qui se rendra à Londres pour le Couronnement il y aura certainement beaucoup de Français.

J'ai eu la chance de pouvoir aller à Londres pour le Jubilé du Roi George V. et de la Reine Mary. J'étais très bien placée et ai eu une vue superbe du cortège royal—spectacle grandiose et inoubliable sous un soleil radieux. Le défilé cette fois sera encore plus merveilleux et il est à espérer que le temps sera aussi beau qu'il le fut le 6 Mai, 1935.

Il est regrettable que la date choisie ne soit pas un Lundi comme le Jubilé, ce qui aurait permis à beaucoup de personnes de se rendre à Londres le Samedi et d'y passer le Dimanche et le Lundi, ayant ainsi tout le temps nécessaire pour admirer les somptueuses décorations et illuminations. Le jour choisi étant un Mercredi, beaucoup plus de monde restera en province, mais que ce soit dans la capitale, dans une grande ou une petite ville, même dans les plus petites campagnes, tout le peuple britannique fêtera le Couronnement. Partout il y aura des services religieux le matin au moment de l'imposante cérémonie à l'Abbave de Westminster; des banquets, thés pour les enfants, illuminations, feux d'artifice et feux de joie. Chacun décorera sa maison pour l'occasion, et les rues seront gaiement décorées avec des drapeaux et des guirlandes. Voila déjà longtemps que les fêtes se préparent et l'on voit dans les magasins beaucoup de drapeaux, photos et souvenirs du Couronnement avec des photos du Roi, de la Reine et des charmantes petites Princesses.

Vive le Roi, Vive la Reine.

D.G.T.B.

A public clock for Mayence has gone for over five hundred years without stopping.

Coronation Festivities at Calne.

Since we wrote our last notes full details of the Day's festivities have come to hand.

It was as we thought, Calne will have an exciting, joyful and happy day. From early morning until late at night and no doubt until the early hours of the following day.

One can quite see that it has meant a vast amount of real hard work on the part of the various Committees, and on the Day itself there will be a veritable army of workers, who will be here, there, and everywhere making it possible for the inhabitants of Calne to have the maximum amount of fun and enjoyment.

If this day is not one that will long be remembered then our judgment is sadly at fault.

Now for the programme.

At 7-30 a.m. there will be a Royal Salute of 21 guns. A fitting commencement to the day and certainly an innovation in Calne. It is in no way intended to compete with the Royal Horse Artillery, but even they will not equal the salute in the enthusiasm of the loyal Borough of Calne.

In these materialistic days it is nice to know that all classes and creeds accept, without any quibble or discussion, the fact that Divine Service has its place in such festivities. At 10.15 a.m. there is to be a United Service in the Parish Church.

Arrangements have also been made for relaying the Ceremony from Westminster Abbey.

Mid-day will see the Old Folks comfortably seated in the Town Hall, where they will be entertained at lunch.

The Town Band will commence their strenuous day by playing selections on the Strand at 12.30 p.m.

Active preparations will be going on in the Recreation Ground and at 2 p.m. Billy Field's Concert Party will be entertaining the Children. To have all the kiddies of Calne in one bunch will be a sight not often seen "in these yere parts."

Sandwiched in between the Children's Tea, which takes place at 4 o'clock, will be the flight of balloons and a comic Cricket match. We have received advance news that the

comedians of Calne are busy sharpening their wits.

The excitement of the day now becomes intense. 4.45 p.m. sees the assembling of the Carnival Procession, which will move off at 6 p.m.

To help entertain the onlookers there is to be Community singing in the Strand, so the waiting time will be spent happily.

The Fun City will open at 6 o'clock, and we are assured that the Pig which has been offered as a prize for skittling is really alive. It can wag its ears and wriggle its tail, and perhaps can even say "Mamma" and "Dadda."

Confetti, streamers, and such like things will make their appearance round about this time.

So the fun will go on. 10 p.m. will see the opening of the Grand Carnival Ball and we advise everybody to get their tickets beforehand. At 10.15 p.m. a new idea is to introduced. A spectacular Torchlight Procession will leave the Grange, London Road, and Wessington Avenue and converge on the Green, where, as a Grand Finale, we shall have the time honoured Bonfire.

It is hoped everybody will take part in the Torchlight Procession and have torches, Chinese lanterns and every conceivable manner of illumination, so that this concluding item will end the day in a note of triumph.

G.H.H.

It almost seems that the friendly nations are those which get together to decide on the kind of weapon they will use when they fight one another.

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In Scotland, should a lassie drop her new shoes before they have been worn, she firmly believes that they will bring her trouble. To escape that, the shoes are sometimes burnt and sometimes buried. In Germany, should a mother lose the heel of one of her shoes, she takes that to be a sign that one of her children will die before the year is out.

The consumer cannot use the trademark, he cannot wear it or even eat it . . . but he can use, wear, or eat as the case may be the article on which the trade-mark appears. If he is satisfied with his purchase the trade-mark will always remind him of a good investment and will repeat it.



Van Salesman W. J. Lewis has been appointed to Newcastle, Van 18, and Relief Salesman R. W. Lammiman has been appointed to Newcastle, Van 28.

We sympathise with Van Salesman C. E. Thomas, who had the misfortune to fall through a trap-door while entering a shop. By some miraculous chance Mr. Thomas escaped with a severe shaking only.

Van Salesman K. W. B. Harris, of Cardiff, has sent us some very interesting cuttings respecting the Championship Meeting of the Welsh Cross-Country Association, which took place on Saturday, March 20th.

Mr. Harris is a member of the Roath Harriers Club, which won the County Championship for the first time in 10 years and is described as the "Team of the Year." Mr. Harris has represented his country for the past 2 years at the International Championships.

From the photograph which Mr. Harris enclosed with his letter, it would appear that cross-country running certainly keeps you

We welcome Relief Salesman G. L. Hardy, who has recently made a start at Calne.

IDEAL HOME EXHIBITION.

The Exhibition opened on Tuesday, March 30th, after a very strenuous holiday week-end's work on the part of all the willing helpers.

The Exhibition was opened by the Duke and Duchess of Gloucester, who made a brief tour of the Exhibition, and cast admiring glances at the Harris Stand.

The Food Section, in which our stand was situated, contained a very representative selection of Exhibitors and included most of the well-known National Advertisers.

The object of exhibiting was to popularise the Firm's goods by direct introduction to the very large numbers of the general public who visit this Exhibition. With this object in view sample boxes at various prices were sold, these boxes containing a representative selection of Harris Products.

Sausages were cooked in full view and tasting samples were available to the public on cocktail forks. In the other corner of the stand a demonstration of glass lines was in constant progress so that the public were able to try the goods for themselves before making their purchase.

Countless enquiries were received for addresses where Harris Goods could be obtained, and from the supply of this information and the following link up with the traders concerned, very valuable publicity was obtained.

Our stand comprised a display of Bacon in the background which was flood-lit. On each side were Bradenham and Seager Hams and in each corner at the back a mass display of Glass Goods on one side and Tinned Goods on the other. In the centre was a large table with an appetising display of Cooked Meats. Coronation Crowns and Coronation Pies held the place of honour.

In addition to the demonstrators looking after the sampling of Sausages and Glass Goods, there were others in attendance selling the sample boxes.

We should like to pay tribute to the enthusiasm of these ladies under the energetic leadership of Miss Fellows, and thank them for the work which they put in throughout the Exhibition.

J.H.G.



At Chippenham, on March 17th, Miss Winnie Smith was married to Mr. William Hughes, of Devizes. The bride wore a navy blue costume, white satin blouse, navy blue shoes, flesh colour stockings, navy blue felt hat and navy gloves. Miss Smith was about two years employed in the Pie Department, and was presented with a frameless mirror and landscape pictures by the staff.

At Christ Church, Derryhill, on March 27th, Mr. Percy Carter was married to Miss Elsie Townsend, of Derryhill. The bride was given away by her brother and wore a gown of Margaret Rose pink satin, with picture hat of same shade, silver shoes and gloves to tone, and carried a shower bouquet of pink carnations. Two bridesmaids were in attendance and wore dresses of pale blue silk, hats of same shade, silver shoes and stockings to tone. Their bouquets were of mauve tulips. Mr. Carter is attached to the Kitchen Department, and was the recipient of a frameless mirror from the staff, also a companion set from the Pie Department.

The marriage took place on Saturday, March 27th, at St. Mary's Church, Calne, between Miss Vivienne Woodward and Sergt. T. G. Tucker (R.A.F.), both of Calne. The service was choral and the Rev. A. W. Coulter officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her brother, wore an ivory moire taffetta gown, silver shoes, orange blossom and veil, and carried an ivory prayer book. She was attended by two bridesmaids, sister and friend, dressed in blue taffetta, and carrying bouquets of pink tulips. Flight-Sergt. Thompson (R.A.F.) acted as best man. Afterwards the reception was held at the Ladies' Club, about 70 guests being present.

Miss Woodward was attached to the Office Staff for ten years, and was a keen and active member of the Hockey, Tennis, and Dramatic Sections. Presents included canteen of cutlery from the staff,

week-end case from the Hockey Section, and silver hot water jug, from the Dramatic Section. Their future home is at Odiham, Hants.



TENNIS FIXTURES, 1937.

1st Team.

May 8.—Chippenham Town, home.

" 15.—Swindon G.W.R., away.

22.—Holt, home.

29.—Okus Swindon, away.

June 5.—Avon Sports, home.

" 12.—Chippenham Town, away.

19.—Malmesbury, home.

26.—Swindon G.W.R., home.

July 3.—Malmesbury, away.

" 10.—Okus Swindon, home.

17.—Trowbridge (W.B.), away. 24.—Calne L.T.C., home.

31.—Saxbys, away.

Aug. 7.—

" 14.—Devizes, away.

" 21.—Holt, away.

28.—Saxbys, home.

Sept. 4.—Avon Sports, away.

" 11.—Devizes, home.

18.—Trowbridge, home.

,, 25.—Calne L.T.C., away.

2nd Team.

May 8.—Chippenham Town, away.

,, 15.—Swindon G.W.R., home.

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29.—Okus Swindon, home.

June 5.—Avon Sports, away.

,, 12.—Chippenham Town, home.

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July 3.—Saxbys, home.

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BOOKS RECOMMENDED BY A MEMBER.

"Coronation Summer," by Angela Thirkell.

This story is told in the third person by Mrs. Darnley, a young woman of 1840, who reads to her friend the Coronation Poem from "The Ingoldsby Legends." This recalls to her the Coronation of Queen Victoria two years previously, when her father took her to London to see the sights and take part in the celebrations.

The National Book Council will be issuing a list of 400 classified titles of books dealing with the Coronation. It will be published in the form of a booklet called "The King's Crown." There is an introduction by the well-known historian, Mr. Arthur Bryant, and the booklet is intended to be of permanent value as a list of reference.

QUEEN'S HALL WINNERS FIND WOODLANDS SPLENDID "RETREAT."

The Swindon G.W.R. choir, back from their victorious visit to the Queen's Hall, London, were in a happy mood when playing us at skittles on Tuesday, 23rd March.

Playing 28 a side and aggregate pins to count on two legs we managed to record our first victory against a Swindon team by 366 pins to 356. The only spare was made by a Swindon lady, who previously to that had registered a "duck." Maybe, she had made up her mind to make the "feathers fly" next time.

A dance followed, and once again proved a huge success. Although these dances finish round about half-past eleven, they wind up a pleasant evening, and who is going to shout about paying 3d. for an enjoyable two hours of dancing?

As is usual with any visitors to the Woodlands, our guests were quite taken up with it, and said how lucky we are to have such a lovely Club House, which, seeing this

came from members of a far bigger club than ours, is praise indeed.

I cannot finish without once again saying "Thank you" to our ladies for their excellent catering.

SKITTLES SECTION SUPPER AND PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

This eagerly-awaited annual function was held in the Skittle Alley on Friday, the 9th April.

There was a splendid attendance—130, including a number of friends from Chippenham, sitting down to supper.

Mr. A. Boase (chairman of the section) presided and was supported by J. F. Bodinnar, Esq., Messrs. R. P. Redman, S. North-Smith, T. W. Petherick, J. H. Gillett, W. V. Long (Chippenham), and others.

The toast, "The King," was proposed by the Chairman, and was heartily received by all present.

Mr. Redman, in a humorous speech, proposed the toast, "The Skittles Section," and this was acknowledged on behalf of the section by Mr. A. McLean.

"The Visitors" was given by Mr. F. Gale, (he jokingly told his hearers that he once, or was it twice, knocked down 9 pins), and Mr. W. V. Long, manager of the Chippenham Factory, replied and thanked the committee for the kind invitation. He told of his amazement on viewing for the first time the wonderful Club House and Skittle Alley supplied by the Directors of the firm.

The most popular toast of the evening was that of "Our President," so feelingly proposed by Mr. G. Dolman and Mr. Bodinnar thanked one and all for so enthusiastically responding. He took his listeners back to the days when many happy evenings were spent together in the old Oddfellows Hall—really the pioneer days of the H.W.A. as we now know it.

It is always a real joy to listen to the President, and especially so when he is in this mood.

The President afterwards presented the

Bodinnar Cup and miniatures to the winning team from the Boning Department (ably acknowledged by Captain H. Miller), and the runners-up, Slaughter B team. Their captain, Harry Woodward, congratulated the winners on the fine fight in the final match.

The cup for the highest average during the whole of the season was won by Mr. W. Butler. His average of 23.2 is worthy of special mention.

"The Petherick Cup" Competition, which had such a wonderful reception, was won for the first time by Mr. F. Culley (Retort Department), who beat Mr. H. Angell (Slaughter) in the final. These two members and the other semi-finalists, Messrs. Freegard and A. Butler, were also awarded miniature cups.

Truly, as Mr. A. McLean pointed out, a record-breaking season in every way.

The remainder of the evening was spent in song and story, presented by Chris. Williams' party from Bath.

As usual, the excellent arrangements for the supper, &c., were made by the hardworking secretary, Mr. R. Stanley.

CLUB NOTES.

Billiards and snooker players spent an enjoyable evening at the Club House on Friday, 16th April, when the activities of the winter season were brought to an end by the presentation of the League Cup and the prizes won in the Knock-out Competitions. We were very happy to have the President and Mrs. Bodinnar with us, and Mr. Bodinnar handed over the prizes in his own inimitable manner, with a cheery word or a personal message to each of the recipients.

The Billiards League Cup was accepted by Mr. S. Toogood, on behalf of the Slaughter B team, and replicas were presented to the following players:—S. Toogood (captain), R. Penny, W. Arkell, and A. Clark. The Kitchen team were runners-up.

The prize-winners in the other competitions were as follows :—

Billiards Handicap, No. 1:—Winner, H. Stevens; runner-up, S. Salter; semi-finalists, W. Salter and J. W. Jackett.

Billiards Handicap, No. 2:—Winner, S. Toogood; runner-up, R. Saye; semi-finalists, S. Drewell and R. King.

Snooker Handicap, No. 1:-Winner, S.

Toogood; runner-up, W. Arkell; semi-finalists, F. Culley and W. Salter.

Snooker Handicap, No. 2:—Winner, R. Saye; runner-up, J. W. Jackett; semi-finalists, R. White and R. Penny.

In the case of each of the foregoing the winner received a "Walter Lindrum" special cue, four of these having been donated by Mr. Bodinnar, Mr. R. P. Redman, Mr. T. W. Petherick, and Mr. G. C. Brown. Two of the competitions, however, were won by the same player, Mr. S. Toogood, and in the circumstances a special voucher prize of £1 1s. was substituted and one of these splendid cues therefore remains for a future competition.

The presentation of these cues has had a wonderfully stimulating effect, and has contributed in no small measure to the success of these competitions during the past season. The number of entries has been very gratifying, and most of the games were keenly fought out. In many cases, in fact, the result depended on one single shot, and was in doubt until the last moment. What is even more important, however, is that all of the ties were keenly enjoyed by the players concerned and a splendid feeling of sportsmanship was evident throughout. Unfortunately Mr. Redman, Mr. Petherick, and Mr. Brown were unable to be present at the prize-giving, but the Games Committee take this opportunity of recording their appreciation of their generous interest in the competitions sponsored by the committee.

It need hardly be said that the greatest keenness was shown by the inter-departmental teams comprising the Billiards League to be first to have their name inscribed on the splendid cup presented by the President, and we feel sure that this competition will in future play an increasingly important part in the Club House activities.

A most enjoyable evening's entertainment was provided by Courtenay's Concert Party, from Trowbridge, supplemented by Mr. P. C. Gleed and Mr. R. G. Stokes, whose songs were greatly appreciated.

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Winter thunder, Rich man's food and poor man's hunger.

In Spain Tuesday is considered an unlucky day for weddings.

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Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. F. W. WEBB.



Our photograph this month is of Mr. F. W. Webb, who joined the firm in March, 1897, serving as a lad in the Sausage Department, and gradually working his way up to his present position as Foreman of the same Department.

Mr. Webb is a loyal supporter of the H.W.A., and amongst his outside interests he is Hon. Secretary of the Calne Abstainers Union, being responsible for the annual outing arranged by that society which generally takes 600 people to the seaside.

Mr. Webb is also a member of the Calne Bowling Club, and is a keen politician.

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Friends Elsewhere.



CORONATION OF KING GEORGE V.

A Day long to be Remembered by the Children.

LOYAL ADDRESS FROM THE CORPORATION.

The Committee succeeded in making the occasion pre-eminently happy and enjoyable for the children, and if Coronation Day in Chippenham was nothing else it was in every respect a children's day, and probably never before have so many juveniles been marshalled within the borough, and arrangements made for them to honour the day and to participate in pleasurable events.

The day was ushered in by merry peals on the bells at the Parish and St. Paul's Churches, and at each place of worship there was corporate Communion. The children as early as 8.45 assembled at their different schools, from which later they joined in two processions, one on the west side of the town and the other on the east side. The former were played into the Market Square by the Salvation Army Band (Conductor, Mr. James) and the latter by the Chippenham Town Prize Band, under the leadership of Mr. James Baker. When all were grouped in horseshoe fashion in the large square in front of the Angel Hotel, the sight with the banners and the flags carried by the children was indeed a pretty one. Led by the massed bands, the children sang the National Anthem and then gave three hearty cheers for the





God Save our King and Queen.



GOD crown you with a crown of glory and righteousness, that by the ministry of this our benediction, having a right faith and manifold fruit of good works, you may obtain the crown of an everlasting Kingdom by the gift of Him whose Kingdom endureth for ever."

From the service to be performed at the Coronation of their Majesties King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth, in the Abbey Church of St. Peter, Westminster.







CORONATION PARAGRAPHS OF GENERAL INTEREST.

Crowning the Sovereign.

When the Sovereign has been anointed and has put on the sacred vestments he has presented to him the Spurs and Sword; then he is invested with the Royal Robe and has the Orb delivered to him, after which he puts on the Ring and takes the Sceptre, and after this the Crown is put upon his head, he sitting in King Edward's Chair to receive it. The Archbishop advances to the Altar, raises the Crown of St. Edward in his hands, and, laying it again on the Altar, pronounces a benediction.

The King still sitting in King Edward's Chair, the Archbishop comes from the Altar with St. Edward's Crown between his hands supported by the other Bishops present and the Deau of Westminster and reverently places it upon his head. The drums beat, the trumpets sound, and the spectators shout "God save the King."

The Bishop of Bath and Wells has the privilege of being one of the two Bishops who support the Sovereign during the Coronation Service.

The principal things the Archbishop does during the Coronation Service are these:—He presents the Sovereign to his subjects, administers the oath, anoints the Sovereign, and puts the crown on his or her head.

All Bishops taking part in the Coronation Service must be vested in their copes. Some of the principal offices separately performed by the Bishops at a Coronation are as follows:—The Bishops of Durham and of Bath and Wells support the Sovereign, two Bishops read the Litany, and two other Bishops read the Epistle and the Gospel.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, who arranges and conducts the whole Coronation Service and crowns the Sovereign of right, is the first peer of England, next to the Royal Family, preceding not only all Dukes but all the great officers of the Crown. The Sovereign and his or her Consort, wherever they may be located, are parishioners of the Lord Archbishop of Canterbury.





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The Ampulla and the Spoon.

Much of the ancient regalia was destroyed by the Parliamentarians in 1649. The Ampulla and the Spoon escaped destruction. The Ampulla was first used at the Coronation of Henry IV. It is of gold and in the form of an eagle, and stands on a pedestal of pure gold, finely chased.

The head unscrews at the middle of the neck for the purpose of putting in the oil, which is poured out into the spoon through the point of the beak. The Anointing Spoon which the Archbishop dips his finger into for the anointing is silver gilt. Four pearls are set in the broadest part of the handle, which is near the bowl, and the bowl itself is finely chased both without and within.

On the morning of the Coronation the Ampulla and Spoon are placed ready on the Altar and are not carried in the procession with the rest of the regalia.

Anointing the Sovereign.

The Sovereign, having been disrobed of mantle and surtout, sits in King Edward's Chair and is anointed generally on the crown of the head on the palms of the hands and on the breast by the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The Dean of Westminster pours the oil from the Ampulla into the Spoon, which he delivers to the Archbishop. While the ceremony of anointing is being performed four Knights of the Garter hold a pall of cloth of gold over the Sovereign's head. When it is concluded the Dean of Westminster carries the Ampulla and Spoon back to the Altar and the Archbishop pronounces an invocation.

A Coronation Fair.

On the occasion of Queen Victoria's Coronation, in June, 1838, a fair, which lasted for four days, was held in Hyde Park. The booths were arranged in regular rows, with spaces between them for free passage of the people. Vehicles of every description were admitted into the Park, and the splendid carriage of an aristocrat was not unfrequently followed by the tilted waggon of a furniture remover, with its load of men, women, and children, who had come to see the fun. All seemed alike bent on amusement; all alike appeared to throw away those restraints which rank or fashion or station had placed upon them and to enter fully into the enjoyment of the busy scene in which they were actors.





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At George III.'s Coronation the Earl Marshal forgot the Sword of State, and one was borrowed from the Lord Mayor to do service instead of it. The King complained to the Deputy Earl Marshal, and he in his confusion replied, "I have taken care that the next Coronation shall be regulated in the exactest manner possible."

George I. could not speak English, and his Ministers could not speak German, so the Coronation ceremonies had to be explained to the King in such Latin as those about him could command. This gave rise to a popular jest that much bad language had passed between the King and his Ministers on the day of the Coronation.

The Royal Arms may not be used by other members of the Royal Family without a mark of difference; neither may they be used for purpose of trade advertisement without a Special Warrant.

Although there is not an official Bible on which the Coronation Oath is sworn, there is in the MSS. of the Cottonian Library at the British Museum a Latin translation of the Four Gospels, on which, tradition says, the early English Kings took their Coronation Oaths. It is a quarto volume of 217 leaves, and was written about the end of the ninth century.

The office of Lord High Steward is of very great antiquity, having been established prior to the reign of Edward the Confessor. In those days the heir to the Crown was not considered to be a King until he had been anointed and crowned. Between the death of one Sovereign and the anointing and crowning of his successor, the Lord High Steward acted as Viceroy. Formerly this office was one of inheritance, but since the time of Henry IV. has been merged in the Crown. The reason of its being so merged was that it was considered to be too powerful an office to be safely entrusted to any subject.

In olden days the manor of Liston, in Essex, was held on the condition of placing five wafers before the King as he sat at dinner on the Coronation Day. The Manor of Heydon was held on condition of its Lord holding the basin, ewer, and towel where the King washed his hands before dinner.

The last King of England to be crowned on a Wednesday was George II., the date being October 11th, 1727. In former times the favourite day of the week was Sunday.

The ceremony of a Coronation is a solemn recognition and confirmation of the Royal descent and consequent right of accession and is not necessary for the security of the title to the Crown.

The First Commissioner of Works is the head of the Office of Works. His department is responsible for the fitting up of Westminster Abbey on the occasion of a Coronation or other public ceremony.





"STAY US IN THIS FELICITIE."

O Thou, Who of Thy own free grace did'st build up this Britannick Empire to a glorious and enviable height, with all her Daughter Islands about her, stay us in this Felicitie.

MILTON.











According to Mr. Legg, in "Coronation Records," the Earl Marshal used to claim for his Coronation services the King's Palfrey with its harness, also the Queen's, the cloth of the King's table, the cloth spread behind the King at dinner, and the chines of all cranes and swans served up.

The office of Earl Marshal of England is hereditary in the family of the Duke of Norfolk. As Earl Marshal he has the ordering of all State ceremonials and processions. Accompanied by pages, he has place near the Sovereign throughout the Coronation ceremony, carries a special baton, and sustains the Royal Crown when necessary.

The Hereditary Grand Almoner of England attends at a Coronation to be the distributor in alms of certain money collected in a silver dish. He claims the silver dish and the towel that covers it, and formerly he was allowed a tun of good wine and all the blue cloth upon which the Sovereign walked from the throne in Westminster Hall to the door of the Abbey Church.

King Edward's Chair, on which the Sovereigns of England sit when they are crowned, is often called St. Edward's Chair, out of respect to the Confessor, near whose shrine in Westminster Abbey it usually stands. It was made by order of Edward I. to hold the Stone of Destiny, on which the Scottish Kings used to sit when they were crowned and which Edward I. captured and sent to Westminster in the year 1296. On the occasion of the installation of Oliver Cromwell, the Chair was brought into Westminster Hall, and this was the only time it ever left the Abbey since it was made in or about 1297.

The Marquis of Crewe has been appointed Lord High Constable of England. It will be his duty to attend the Royal person in the procession, in which he walks with the Earl Marshal, and during the ceremony will stand on the left of the Sovereign.

The Lord Mayor represents the Corporation of London at a Coronation, bearing the crystal sceptre or mace. When a part of the ceremony used to take place in Westminster Hall, the Lord Mayor of London served the Sovereign with a bowl of wine, taking the bowl for his fee.

At the Coronation of Henry VIII. as much as fourpence was asked and obtained for a seat to view the procession, but at the Coronation of Elizabeth the nation in its joy disbursed sixpence.

According to legend, the Coronation Ring was given by Edward the Confessor to St. John the Evangelist, who appeared to him in the guise of a mendicant, and afterwards given by St. John to two English pilgrims in Palestine with instructions to restore it to the Confessor and to tell him that Divine grace should encircle every English Sovereign who was invested with it at his Coronation.





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There is generally a clause in the leases of houses from which a view can be had of the Coronation procession entitling the landlord to their use at the Coronation.

The office of Champion of England was established by William the Conqueror after the battle of Hastings. The dignity was conferred on Robert de Marmion and annexed to the Manor of Sorwelsby in the county of Lincoln. In 1292 the last of the Marmions died, leaving four daughters, one of whom married Sir Thomas Ludlow, their daughter married Sir John Dymoke, and he became invested with the Championship of England, which has remained in this family ever since.

On the Coronation day the Champion used to claim one of the King's great coursers, with a saddle, harness, and trappings of cloth of gold, and one of the best suits of armour. Thus mounted and furnished he rode into the hall, whilst the King sat at dinner, and after three fanfares, stated that anyone denying the King's lawful title to the throne "lied like a traitor," and threw down his gauntlet.

This ancient office was exercised in Westminster Hall, but Mr. Frank Dymoke will appear at the Coronation carrying the Standard of England in the procession in the Abbey. He attended the Coronations of Edward VII. and George V. as King's Champion.

The Master of the Horse has place next behind the Sovereign; in the case of a Queen, he rides in the carriage with her Majesty to Westminster. At Queen Victoria's Coronation the Mistress of the Robes and the Master of the Horse were in the State carriage going to and from the Abbey. It is a political appointment and the occupant is subject to change with each Ministry.

The throne is never vacant. Upon the death of a King or Queen the succession of the heir is instantaneous.

In 1876 Queen Victoria was proclaimed Empress of India, but the Imperial dignity is not adopted in any part of the Dominions, except India.

In 1901 the following addition was made to the style and title of King Edward VII.: "and of the British Dominions beyond the Seas."

The King in the Oath will name the Dominions and swear to maintain the Protestant Religion in the United Kingdom.

The largest gathering ever held in this country of ex-Service men will be held at Sandown Park on Sunday, June 27th, when the King will review a parade of 100,000.

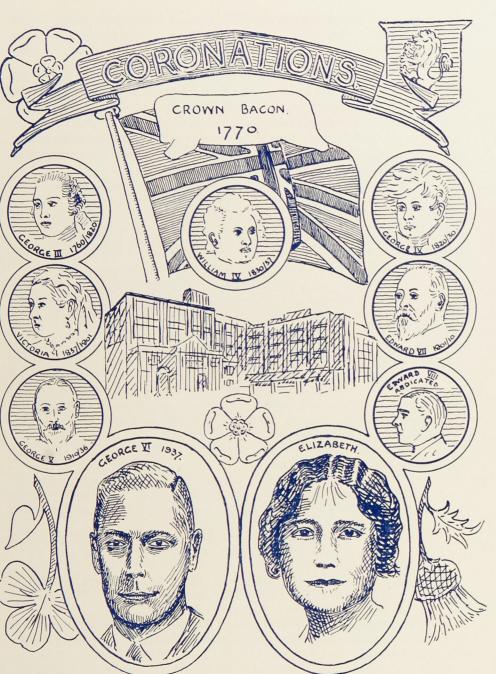
The Commissioner of Police has published a map and guide describing how to get to the Coronation.





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HARRIS BACON CROWNED IN 1770 AND STILL REIGNING

King and Queen. Then followed the distribution of a box of chocolate and a medal to each child, the presentation being made by the Mayor and Mayoress (Councillor W. Small and Mrs. Small), who took up a position on each side of the Market Square whilst the children filed past.

At 10.30 a special meeting of the Corporation was held at the Town Hall, when the Mayor presided, and on the motion of Alderman Coles, seconded by Alderman Neale, a loyal Address to their Majesties was approved of and the seal of the Council affixed.

At 11 o'clock there were services at the Parish Church, St. Paul's Church, and the Wesleyan Chapel. To the Parish Church a procession was formed headed by the Royal Wiltshire Yeomanry; next came the Territorials, the Mayor and Corporation, including the Town Clerk (Mr. F. H. Phillips), the Borough Auditor (Mr. G. S. Gillett), the Fire Brigade, the Boy Scouts, and the Church Lads' Brigade. At the close of the service the procession in the same order returned to the front of the Town Hall, where on a platform the Mayor read to a large crowd the address of the Corporation to their Majesties and led cheers for the King and Queen, the band playing "God save the King."

The afternoon programme was completely devoted to the young people. A procession of children was formed at the "Three Crowns," London Road, and made its way through the town to Woodlands Grove, where an excellent tea was provided for them. After tea had been dispensed with the evening was given over to sports of various descriptions for children of all ages.

At night the town was illuminated with fairy and other lights, and towards ten o'clock a crowd assembled at Englands to witness the burning of a large bonfire which was lit by the Mayoress.

. (Through the courtesy of the "Wiltshire Times," who have given us permission to publish the above extracts, we are able to give our readers a brief account of the way Coronation Day was celebrated in Chippenham on June 22nd, 1911.)

It is our desire that the above account may interest our readers, and we hope that it may bring back to all Chippenham people wherever they may be happy memories of this occasion.

Not only does it recall a happy event, but it also affords one the opportunity of

retrospection. First of all, it must surely remind us of old friends; some are still with us, and of others we hold cherished memories.

Children of that day are now men and women of to-day, and they have witnessed during their period of adolescence the perfection of many wonderful inventions and the improvements of social conditions to an extent which would have been considered impossible in their childhood days.

Motor cars, aeroplanes, and wireless have all taken their place in our everyday life, and it is difficult to realise that we ever existed without them.

We have also witnessed vast changes in many parts of the world, but there is one thing in the world that has survived, that is, the British Crown. It represents the continuity of British tradition, the unity of the largest empire the world has ever known, and is the symbol of democratic Government.

We at Chippenham are now making preparations to keep this high festival of the crowning of our King and Queen, to join in the universal expression of loyalty to a King whom we pray will be blessed with good health, whose reign will be long and prosperous and, above all, peaceful.

W.H.W.

SKITTLES SECTION

We concluded the series of matches arranged for this season with the return match against the Territorial Club at the Railway Inn on Friday, 12th March, 1937. So far we had played nine matches, had won four of them, and on the result of this match depended whether we should be able to finish the season with an even score board.

The first leg finished with honours even, each side scoring 93 pins, but the Terriers were able to gain a small advantage over us, winning the second leg with 6 pins to the good. Our team, however, played well during the last leg, winning same by 13 pins and proving victorious over the Territorials for the second time this season by 7 pins.

A most enjoyable evening was spent on Friday, 19th March, when the competition arranged in connection with the "James Bullock Cup" took place.

This year it was decided that the Cup be contested for by teams representing different departments of the Factory, and they were grouped and drawn for the first round as follows :-

Slaughter Dept. "A" Team v. Slaughter Dept. "B" Team.

Offal Dept. v. Heads Dept.

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Despatch Dept. v. Office "B" Team. Drivers v. Office "A" Team.

By a coincidence all the teams that were drawn first suffered defeat, and the semifinal saw the following teams paired:-Office "B" Team v. Heads Dept.

Slaughter Dept. "B" Team v Office "A" Team. After two very keen matches Office "B" Team and Slaughter Department "B" (now known as the "Killers") were left to fight for the honour of holding the Cup for another year. This final was fought amidst much excitement. The first leg finished with the Office holding an advantage of one pin

over their opponents.

Although this encouraged the clerks, it also made the "Killers" more determined. and with some very fine bowling they were able to win the next leg with 5 pins. By this time the match had developed into a contest between the Office and the Factory, both teams receiving much applause from their respective members. However, the Office were able to win the last leg by 1 pin, but this was not sufficient to make them victorious, and the Slaughter men were able to prove their superiority as "Killers" by winning the Cup by 3 pins, much to the delight of the Factory staff.

Through the kindness of the newlyfounded Corsham Club two enjoyable evenings were spent at skittles. On 3rd March, after a keen game, we were defeated by 14 pins. The return match was played on the 17th March, when our opponents again proved the better team, winning by 17 pins.

MARRIAGES.

To Mr. L. Turner (Factory Staff) we offer our congratulations on the occasion of his marriage to Miss D. Curley, which was solemnised at the Parish Church on Easter Monday, 29th March, 1937.

During the period Mr. Turner has been employed at the Factory he has gained popularity with his fellow workers, and we wish him and Mrs. Turner every happiness and good health in the future.

We extend our sympathy to Mr. E. Perry and Mr. L. A. H. Ambrose, who are indisposed, and hope they will soon be better.

VISIT OF OUR SOMERSET FRIENDS.

Our Highbridge friends made their return visit to Chippenham on Saturday, 3rd April, 1937, to take part in Football and Skittles matches and so settle for this season who should have the honour of holding the "Bodinnar" Cup for the next twelve months.

After the Football match, which Highbridge won by 2 goals to nil, tea was served at the Railway Inn, where the guests were received by our Manager (Mr. W. V. Long) and Mr. J. H. Hooper.

In extending to Highbridge a hearty welcome to Chippenham, Mr. Long stated that the meetings in the past had always been very interesting, but now that the handsome Challenge Cup, so generously presented by the President of their Welfare Associations (Mr. Bodinnar), was the bone of contention between them there was added interest, keenness, and enthusiasm in these contests.

He congratulated Highbridge on winning the Cup this season, remarking that undoubtedly the best team had won the Football match that afternoon.

He conveyed very hearty greetings and best wishes for a happy time to the whole company from Mr. W. H. Curgenven and Mr. V. Long, who were with them last year, but were unable to be present on this occasion. Mr. Kidley, on behalf of Highbridge, thanked Mr. Long for his kind words of welcome and hospitality and expressed his appreciation for the kind messages from Mr. Curgenven and Mr. Victor Long, both of whom he now looked upon as friends. He reciprocated their greetings and hoped to see them at Highbridge at some time in the future.

Mr. Hooper, in supporting Mr. Long, also congratulated Highbridge on their success, bringing to mind Mr. Curgenven's remarks of last season that they should pull together. This they had evidently now done, and it was now necessary for Chippenham to do the same.

Adjournment was now made to the Skittle Alley, and, although Chippenham had lost the Cup, it was hoped that it might be possible to prevent the visitors getting away with full points by winning the Skittle match. Much excitement prevailed, each side doing their utmost to keep the game in their favour as it proceeded. In accordance with the rules laid down in connection with

this competition, 5 legs had to be played. and a ding-dong game ensued, each team winning alternative legs until the last and final leg, which produced a great fight, ending in our favour to the extent of 13 pins. Chippenham ... 61 65 61 72 63—322 Highbridge ... 68 57 69 54 61—309

Once more a return was made to the upper room for light refreshments and a smoking concert.

After a loyal toast was given, Mr. W. V. Long proposed the toast of the visitors, saying how pleased he was to see them that day and was now looking forward to their visit in September, and these remarks were ably supported by Mr. B. F. Pinfield.

Mr. Kidley thanked the company for the very enthusiastic way the toast was drunk, and he was supported by Mr. C. B. Shier and Mr. H. Blackmore.

"The President's Cup Winners" was the next toast, and in proposing it Mr. Hooper, on behalf of Chippenham, congratulated the winners, acknowledging that they deserved the trophy. Support was given by Mr. W. J. Pople, who expressed the opinion that Highbridge would do their best to retain it.

In proposing the toast of the President, Mr. Long expressed Mr. Bodinnar's sincere regret that he could not be there that evening and also conveyed our Chief's kind regards—(applause)—to all present, reminding everyone of the great interest shown to all employees by Mr. Bodinnar, not only in their work but in their pleasure. Captain Herbert Smith supported Mr. Long, expressing his regret that it was not possible to have Mr. Bodinnar's company that evening, but he hoped and was looking forward that it would be possible for Mr. Bodinnar to come next year.

Interspersed between the toasts were musical items rendered by Mr. E. Yeates and Mr. H. Church, and Mr. R. Board (Highbridge).

Eleven o'clock came far too quickly, and with it the end of another enjoyable day.

FOOTBALL MATCH

This match proved to be the most interesting so far played between the two teams. Highbridge deserved their two goals win over Chippenham. They were always the more dangerous and from the start to finish policed Warne with such marked efficiency that the County centre forward was blotted out of the game. The

absence of free kicks was conspicuous, only 4 being awarded during the whole match (two against each side). This proves the sporting spirit which prevailed during the

Chippenham won the toss and decided to kick down the pitch. After some midfield play Highbridge were first on the offensive. Timberlake cleared and from the goal kick sent Warne racing away, but his efforts were spoilt through Sawyer shooting wide.

After a splendid attempt by Highbridge centre forward, play was again taken to the Somerset goal and for some time the visiting defence was subjected to dangerous raids by the home forwards, Chippenham forcing the first corner, which the Highbridge defence cleared, sending play to the other end, and a certain goal was saved by Butler kicking the ball out of gaol. The visitors continued to press, and their persistence was rewarded by a perfect goal from the outside right.

Play now returned to the visitors' goal, Chippenham forcing two corners, Williams and Hanks both having bad luck in shooting wide. Very few openings were given to either side and half-time came without further score :-

> Highbridge 1 Chippenham0

Escapes for both goals marked the start of the second half, Warne just shooting over the bar and Heath making a great clearance.

Highbridge now put forth greater attacking energy, swinging the ball about nicely, and, although Chippenham made occasional raids towards goal, the visiting forwards continued to hit back, and from a corner scored goal No. 2. The home side now struggled hard and shots by Lem and Yeates were well placed, but the opposing defence were not to be beaten.

Towards the end Highbridge gained superiority and Timberlake saved his charge on many occasions when the defence had broken down. Chippenham made a belated attack and from Clifford's pass a certain goal seemed possible, but Hanks was over anxious and headed the ball wide.

The visitors continued to have most of the play and the match closed with Highbridge winning by 2 goals :-

Highbridge 2 Chippenham 0 W.H.W.



On the 15th March the Annual General Meeting of the Welfare Association was held in the Offices, and on this occasion we had the great pleasure of our Life President, Mr. Bodinnar, in the chair.

In his remarks the President referred to the keen disappointment felt by himself and Mrs. Bodinnar at their inability to attend the annual gathering owing to his illness. He said he always looked forward to these occasions, and he hoped nothing would prevent him coming along next year. Mr. Bodinnar also gave a review of the position regarding the Pigs and Bacon Marketing Schemes and their relation to our factories, which was very informative and much appreciated by all his listeners. Mr. Bodinnar very kindly granted a donation of £20 to the Welfare Association Funds, and the members undoubtedly very much appreciate his ever kindly interest and support of the social side of their activities.

Mr. Kidley, in his report as Chairman of the Association, pointed out to the members that in the past year their contributions had been swallowed up in grants and free entertainment of one sort and another, and, although the subscriptions had increased, the balance in hand had decreased. However, he was glad to report that there had been an increase in membership, and he hoped this would continue until the Association represented 100% of the staff.

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of the father of Mr. H. J. Besley, of the Engine Room Staff. We all should like to express our sympathy with Mr. Besley and his family in their bereavement.

We must congratulate Mr. W. H. G. Young, sen., on his selection as a member of the Somerset representation of the St. John Ambulance Brigade at the forthcoming Coronation, where certain duties will be allotted them. Mr. Young is a sergeant in the local branch of the Corps, and this selection is a distinct honour for him.

R.C.L.

SKITTLES LEAGUE,

We have now concluded our matches in the League for this season, and, although we cannot boast of our skill in the direction of huge scores, we can at least say that all of us who have been privileged to play in the League games have thoroughly enjoyed them, and have benefited by the social side of this class of sport as well as the exercise required to play this ancient Somerset game.

We have pleasure in giving individual

| scores as under .— | | | |
|----------------------|----------------|-------|----------|
| | No. | Total | |
| Name 1 | Iatches | Score | Average. |
| A. H. Hill | | 1,447 | |
| J. Young | 1 | 55 | 55 |
| W. J. Pople | 15 | 803 | 53.5 |
| B. Besley | 12 | 628 | 52.3 |
| E. Cann | 23 | 1,173 | 51 |
| R. C. Lynham | 14 | 707 | 50.5 |
| H. B. Blackmore | 17 | 848 | 49.9 |
| H. Hardwidge | 15 | 745 | 49.6 |
| G. J. Pearse | 12 | 594 | 49.5 |
| C. B. Shier | 12 | 587 | 48.9 |
| A. Solomon | 5 | 242 | 48.4 |
| A. Chedzoy | 12 | 579 | 48.2 |
| W. J. Young | 17 | 805 | 47.3 |
| H. D. Smith | 7 | 331 | 47.28 |
| H. C. Marsh | 5 | 229 | 45.8 |
| H. Ham | 7 | 319 | 45.5 |
| F. Pople | 13 | 589 | 45.3 |
| R. Cobb | 10 | 450 | 45 |
| W. H. G. Young, Jnr. | 1 | 43 | 43 |

"ANNE KIDLEY CUP" COMPETITION

The final game of this popular competition was played on Friday evening, 19th March, and proved to be very exciting and interesting, with our old veteran skittler, Mr. W. J. Pople, on the top, but, as Mr. Hill, who was away ill on this occasion, was third on the list in the 5th round, we are giving him a chance to try and beat Mr. Pople's total. He has all the way to go, but it is possible for him to pull it off, if he gets the luck of the game, as his average in the League matches proves it is not outside his capabilities. Well, here's luck to the winner.

We give individual scores as follows:—

Total to 6th and

| | 5th Rnd. F | nl. Rnd | . Tot. |
|-----------------|------------|---------|--------|
| W. J. Pople | 297 | 53 | 350 |
| G. J. Pearse | 289 | 56 | 345 |
| R. C. Lynham | 278 | 57 | 335 |
| B. Besley | 285 | 47 | 332 |
| W. H. G. Young | 266 | 64 | 330 |
| H. Neath | 270 | 57 | 327 |
| C. B. Shier | 270 | 55 | 325 |
| E. Cann | | 46 | 323 |
| J. Swaine | 263 | 59 | 322 |
| W. J. Young | 275 | | |
| H. C. Marsh | 273 | 46 | 321 |
| A Hollow | 262 | 57 | 319 |
| A. Holley | 255 | 61 | 316 |
| H. D. Smith | 265 | 48 | 313 |
| H. Hardwidge | 264 | 44 | 308 |
| H. B. Blackmore | 244 | 56 | 300 |
| H. Ham | | 45 | 297 |
| J. Young | 245 | 50 | 295 |
| R. Gibbs | 233 | 50 | 283 |
| A. Solomon | | 51 | 276 |
| F. Pople | | | 246 |
| A. H. Hill | | | 288 |

INTER-FACTORY SPORTS

We are now looking forward to our return matches of Skittles and Football with our friends at Chippenham on Saturday, April 3rd, and are hoping that we may have the pleasure of bringing home to Highbridge the Silver Challenge Cup our Managing Director, J. F. Bodinnar, Esq., J. P., presented for competition between the two factories. We hope the weather will be kind to us on this day, as we always enjoy our trip to Chippenham.

C.B.S.



March, in traditional style, came in roaring loud as any lion, and departed in truly lamb-like manner, having contrived however, during its term of office, to give us as much bad weather as possible.

Mr. Friggens, to whose advent we referred last month, arrived early in the

month, having bravely adventured the long journey from Redruth by road.

An interesting event took place a few days ago, when Mr. Ludgate, on behalf of the Factory and Office Staffs, presented a wedding gift of an electric standard reading lamp and a cut-glass vase to Miss "Peggy" Wingate. Mr. Ludgate, in his speech, referred to the years that had passed since "Peggy," straight from school, came into our Office, and very quickly established herself in our esteem. In those years, he said. she had steadily advanced in her work, finally assuming a position of importance, and equally had grown in our esteem and affection. She was leaving us now to take up a new position of even greater importance, and she took with her the warmest and most sincere good wishes of us all, that the future life of both she and her husband-to-be would lack nothing of happiness and prosperity. Mr. C. E. Hobbs and Mr. F. T. Smart endorsed Mr. Ludgate's remarks. Miss Wingate, in reply, expressed the thanks of her fiance and herself both for the presents and for the kindly feelings which went with them. She referred to her recent bereavement (the death of her father) and said that but for that loss she would be the happiest girl in England.

Our sick-list is, happily, shortening rapidly, and most of our invalids have resumed their normal duties. Miss Syrett (Lard Dept.) and Mr. W. Easton (Bacon Dept.), however, are still away, whilst Mr. B. Grimsey (Offal Dept) has had a recurrence of an old trouble, and is "off" for awhile. It will not be long now, we hope, before our sick-list is "nil."

By the time these lines are being read Coronation Day will be very near, and the culminating point of months of work, and organising, of deep thought and anxiety, will be reached. On that day, when Britain's King is crowned, with all the pomp and circumstance of a mighty Empire, many will be the prayers that will be uttered, that our new King will reign worthily, that our Country may live in peace with its neighbours, and that the King, with his Queen and their children, may live in happiness.

What a wonderful sight London will be during the Coronation week! Is there anywhere else in the world where modern science and historic mediaevalism could be so closely linked together? Think of the antiquity of

the Coronation Service, its ritual slowly built up through the centuries; of the noble building in which the service will be held, whose walls enshrine the history of our race and proclaim the fame of those long since dead. Look at the assembled company, Peers of England and their ladies, the living descendants of those who made England's history; Princes and potentates from all over the world, come to see an Empire proclaim and crown its Ruler. Officers of the great fighting Services, politicians, servants of State, the Princes of the Church, men and women from many sections of our National life, all will be there whilst King George the Sixth is crowned.

What, too, of us, who make up the multitude? We who have no rank, no titles or uniforms, no glittering insignia, or heraldic device. Are we, then, of no account?

I read in this morning's paper that the King has commanded that four workers be invited to his Coronation, as honoured guests, and by his gracious act our King has definitely linked himself with us. Beyond the great company which will surround him, our King has envisioned the mighty multitudes of his peoples, at home and abroad, whose minds and hearts will be with him on the day of his crowning, and whose love and loyalty will be surely his. A truly Kingly thought, and one for which we thank him.

Like all fellow-countrymen, we East Anglians will be holding high revels on Coronation Day (weather permitting better put that in).

Did I mention that we still contrive to get through quite a spot of work? No? Well, we do, and are quite hopeful of getting plenty more.

The holiday season is emerging from the mists of Winter, and maps and guide books are fished out once more. We all think that after so much rain there *can't* be much more left up there, and so we ought to have a fine summer! To which comforting thought let us all subscribe.

A.H.M.

Some people are still puzzled as to what makes the holes in Gruyère cheese. Only those really in the know understand that the cheese is put round the holes.



SOCIAL CLUB

The evening of February 10th will be remembered by us all here at Kidlington as one more landmark in the development of the Kidlington Branch of the "Historic House of Harris."

This was the occasion of our third Annual Social, and one to which we had been looking forward for some time, hoping once again to have Mr. Bodinnar with us. We were not disappointed in the reputation our chief has for giving each one of us a most enjoyable evening, but were very sorry indeed that Mrs. Bodinnar and Miss Bodinnar were unable to be with us, but hope that perhaps on the occasion of our next social we shall have the pleasure of their company.

Although the weather makes but little difference to indoor festivities, we did feel grateful for such an evening, as under a brilliantly star-lit sky we made our way to the Social Hut. There we sat down to an excellent spread, tastefully prepared by willing ladies during the afternoon. After we had all partaken of a highly satisfactory supper Mr. Gale rose and proposed a toast to Mr. Bodinnar, at the same time expressing the sincere thanks and appreciation of all that our Chairman had done, and particularly for his presence among us that evening, realising as we do how much of our Chief's time is taken up with the Marketing Schemes of such National importance.

Mr. Bodinnar, in reply, then expressed the sincere hope that Mrs. Gale, who was unfortunately unable to be with us, would soon recover her normal health, which was heartily endorsed by all.

Mr. Bodinnar then outlined to us the position and most difficult state of things at the moment in connection with the Pig Scheme, but left us full of optimism in view of every effort that is being made to change things for the better.

For the remainder of the evening we

were entertained by a concert party from Oxford. The programme provided a variety of turns, singing, conjuring, and ventriloquism, &c. As regards the conjuring we have been tempted to investigate the ancestral tree of one member of the staff with a view of tracing Scotch blood, for, when requested by the conjurer to lend him a sixpenny piece, he brought forward a farthing, no doubt wishing to be on the safe side.

The evening passed away all too quickly, and as we each made our way home we felt somehow richer in those things in life which have no real cash value, for it was truly a social evening well spent.

On February 27th a party left Kidlington for Harringay Stadium to witness Canada v. Switzerland in the Worlds Ice Hockey Championship. The game witnessed proved very exciting and exceedingly fast. The skating of these men was remarkable. At the end of the third period the score was one all and extra time was played. One of our party was so thrilled during those last few minutes that he put the business end of his cigarette against his tongue and recourse to the refreshment bar was deemed necessary. It was during our friend's absence that the winning goal was scored by Canada. Following this match, we saw Harringay Greyhounds play Harringay Racers, and this was even faster than the International match. We came home feeling that on the evening's play either of the last two teams would beat Canada, and subsequent results have proved our forecast correct.

Our thoughts at this period are turning towards the Coronation of our King and Queen, and it is the earnest wish of us all that they will both be allowed to enjoy good health and a long and prosperous reign over our Empire. It is interesting to note that as Duke of York our present King visited our Factory a short time after it was opened by the Oxfordshire farmers.

"The camera never lies." And a glance at the old family album will convince most people that the truth may be a terrible thing.

We judge ourselves by what we feel capable of doing, while others judge us by what we have already done.



Leeds, and Yorkshire, like London, are looking forward with quiet satisfaction, if with less exuberance, to the great and solemn Crowning of our King and Queen. It would be a mistake, easily made by visitors, to assume that the Provinces are less loyal than the Capital, or less interested. The local point in the celebration will quite naturally be London—followed by the capitals of Scotland, Wales, and Empire capitals throughout the world.

We who are far away from the great spectacular and impressive ceremonies feel perhaps just a little out of it. Not for us the processions, prancing cavalry, bands, fanfares, and colour; the pomp and gaiety of vast multitudes. Nevertheless, there is a deepseated feeling in the north of heartfelt loyalty and respect for the Throne.

In spite of the political complexion of many of the hard-hit industrial areas, it can be affirmed that these areas are equally loyal to the Crown, and inspired with a simple love for their country however sombre and hard hit these parts may be. This is exemplified by the scenes when any such distressed area is honoured by the visit of Royalty. Flags are flying, and the streets are filled with lusty shouting, loyal subjects, who may have been waiting for hours in the chilly blasts just to catch a glimpse of their Sovereigns. Nothing could have excelled the enthusiasm displayed the other day when their Majesties visited Aintree and Lancashire.

The North also attaches rather a deeper significance to its attitude. It remembers that the King and Queen personify themselves justice and law, mercy, honour, and good government. It believes in Parliamentary institutions, and is acutely aware that H.M. Opposition is nearly as important an element in framing the Nation's laws as the officers of State. No-one can read the pages of the "Manchester Guardian," "The Yorkshire Post," "The Scotsman," or

"Glasgow Herald," without realising that their matter is intended for, and required by, a thoughtful community. So that the true significance of the Coronation will sink into minds ready to rise to the occasion.

But this does not mean that we shall not rejoice. I can just imagine the warm heartiness of the fun and ongoings at many a village hall and barn up in Forfarshire and the glad happiness of the old farmers, gamekeepers, and country people as they recall the pleasant young lady of "the big hoose." the daughter of Strathmore, who worshipped in the village Church at Glamis, or Forfar, who grew up among them, and is now to be crowned Queen. Edinburgh will stage a Royal Pageant at her venerable Castle, while grey, busy Glasgow will become bright with colour, and her teeming thousands will celebrate in their usual lusty fashion. We in Yorkshire are known to be very queer people, but very, very loval; and one might guess perhaps that eating, drinking, and jovial glee will be the order of the day. Yet Yorkshire likes to be different; and one never knows!

However, you may be interested to read of what they did in 1887 in one district to honour Queen Victoria's Jubilee, and hope the humour of the events may give a glimpse of the heartiness evoked.

At Denby Dale, a village in Yorkshire, it was decided to make an outsize pie, the production of which was to be put in the hands of a famous chef, and great was the excitement when the pie was to be carved with great ceremony.

But the well-laid plans went astray, for, alas, someone blundered; and when the pie was opened the odour was so terrible that no-one could approach. It is literally true that the smell pervaded the whole of the large field in which the celebrations were being held. We do not know if anyone ate any of the pie, but if they did they must have had good digestions.

The sequel was that the pie was buried, and the following funeral card was sold to commemorate the internment:—

In affectionate Remembrance of the DENBY DALE PIE which died August 27th, 1887, Aged three days.

And was interred in Quicklime, with much

rejoicing, in Toby Wood, Sunday, August 28th, 1887.

With the Committee's Regrets.

If Denby Dale make a pie for the coming
Coronation celebrations we hope it will be
more successful.



"Got your seats booked?"

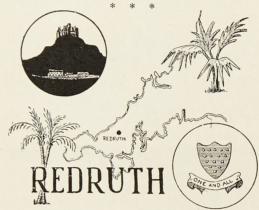
At any other time such a remark may refer to a railway train or a theatre, but to-day it unmistakeably refers to the Coronation.

I am more convinced to-day than ever that freedom creates loyalty. In this country free speech and expression of opinion are tolerated probably more than in any other country. Take a Sunday morning walk in any of our London parks and listen to the soap-box orators who are trying to convince a generally good-humoured crowd that their policy is the only one that will save democracy and the world, and it is probably as a result of all the diversity of opinions and the sense of humour of the English people that we still cling to our traditions. Presidents, dictators may or may not be all right for other people, but we say "Give us a King."

There are many of us who have had the unusual experience of living through five reigns, and there is every indication that the Coronation of King George VI. will witness the most spectacular pageantry of any preceding it. Before this is read the main streets of London will begin to gain a regal atmosphere, for bunting and decorations will by that time present our London dressing up for the great occasion. Not only London, but every town and village throughout our land will be looking gay with their celebrations, and once again the British Empire will demonstrate its loyalty to the Crown.

Such a united nation may well earn the admiration of the whole world, strong in its

desire for peace, faithful to its King, and the toast in every home will be —"God bless our King and Queen."



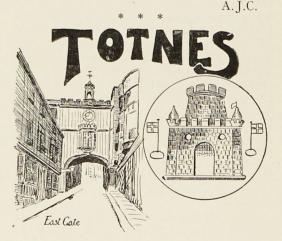
The Editor has asked that our contributions this month shall be appertaining to the Coronation. Writing as we are in March. the Coronation as vet seems far ahead. Plans, however, are now being made for the celebrations here. An additional rate of 2d. in the f is being levied so that all may participate. This, it is estimated, will realise about £200 in the Redruth area. On the afternoon of Coronation Day all the school-children will march in procession through the town and later assemble in the Recreation Grounds, where each will be presented with a mug, which, in addition to the usual Coronation inscription, will bear the Redruth arms, and all will be provided with tea. A gymnastic display by the boys from the County School is to be given and Maypole dancing by other children. In the evening a firework display has been arranged. Most towns in Cornwall are arranging their celebrations on similar lines, but in one village near all the inhabitants are contributing to a fund from which all the children are receiving a Coronation mug, and all inhabitants, both children and adults, are being provided with tea. Given such wonderful weather as on the occasion of the Jubilee in 1935, celebrations should be a great success.

On Saturday, the 13th of March, Mr. Jack Cooke was married to Miss Dorothy Teague at the Redruth Parish Church. A presentation of a mahogany Westminster chiming clock, subscribed for by members of Office and Factory Staffs, was made by Mr. Roynon.

The latter part of the winter here has been marked with falls of snow, the appearance of which is most rare in this part of the country.

During March work on the completion of the Church of St. Andrew, in Redruth, was commenced. The church has been incomplete since its erection in the latter part of the last century. A sum of over £10,000 has been raised for the completion of this Church, the contract for which has been entrusted to a Bath company. In about 12 months Redruth will have a complete church in the town—the Parish Church being well over a mile from the town. A magnificent gift of £2,000 towards the cost by Sir Edward Nichol enabled the work of completion to be commenced earlier than had been anticipated.

Another example of the generosity of Sir Edward Nichol has been recently announced when at a meeting of the Hospital Committee it was stated that he had promised a sum of £15,000 provided a further £5,000 can be raised by subscriptions, to enable extensive alterations and additions to be carried out, and still leave all investments intact. If these alterations are carried out, Redruth Hospital will be one of the most modern and best equipped in the West.



On May 12th there will be for those who are fortunate enough to be in London, the scene of the Coronation of King George VI., which is being so elaborately arranged, and those a little less fortunate who will be able to celebrate in their own localities and to listen

on the wireless to the ceremonies in London. Those who are in London are privileged indeed to see a spectacle which occurs so rarely—that of the Crowning of the Sovereign of Great Britain and its immense Empire; so those of us who will remain in the country may be allowed to be a little envious of seeing such a magnificent pageant as this will certainly be. Devon will be celebrating with the rest of the country, and it is certain that the greatest event of all will be a sight to be remembered. There is to be organised a Coronation Regatta in Torbay, which is one of the most beautiful of sheltered waters in England, with its back-ground of high red cliffs. Here we are to see races for yachts of all classes from the international dinghies up to the 12 metres. Many foreign countries will be represented, and we hear that the King of Sweden has bought a boat especially for these races.

A word of gratitude for the fact that we are to have the day free, so that we are all able to celebrate in the way we think best, which will help us to remember the occasion and the solidarity of all that stands behind those colours, the red, white, and

blue.

At Totnes the celebrations will commence in the morning with a procession in which the Mayor and Councillors, together with representatives of the various local bodies, take part and proceed through the town to the Borough Park, where a United Service will be held as near as possible in conjunction with the ceremony in Westminster Abbey. the afternoon sports, games, and various entertainments are being arranged to suit all ages, and, if they come up to the standard of the Silver Jubilee, there should be no doubt that Totnes will celebrate in wholehearted fashion. In the evening there will be a programme of Maypole dances by schoolchildren, folk dances, followed by round dancing. When dusk has fallen a firework display is taking place, culminating with a huge bonfire and the lighting of beacons which serve as a link throughout the whole

Let us hope that the weather will be as kind to us on this day as it was on the occasion of the celebrations of the Silver Jubilee, so that we can go home with the feeling that we have not lagged behind in making the most of this festive

occasion.

T.H.R.

Photographic Notes.

POINTS FOR THE TRAVELLER TO OBSERVE.

There are many people who do not include their cameras when packing to go abroad, because they think the Customs officials will confiscate their property or, at all events, demand an exorbitant duty on even the smallest of box Brownies.

A camera, which is your own property, can be carried in and out of the country free of duty as often as you like, providing that you declare it each time. If your camera is new the British Customs will probably query it, for they are interested in all kinds of optical glasses, so it is a wise plan to carry the receipt handed to you when the camera was purchased, and show it to the officials in case any questions are asked.

Photographic films should also be declared, and any reasonable quantity will pass unquestioned, but as there are Kodak dealers in nearly every country who stock films, it is not necessary for you to carry

very many.

A view taken inside the Custom House—which is generally large and well lighted—makes an amusing picture, especially if you manage to include a harassed traveller unable to shut his trunk, or a Frenchman gesticulating wildly over his luggage to an imperturbable Customs officer.

Gulls circling about the harbour and a view of the Quay, including, if possible, the wash from the steamer in the foreground, should be easy to get and will give a good idea of your departure from England.

There will be many more opportunities for using your Kodak when you get to Calais, or wherever you land, and it will be interesting to compare your photographs of an English Custom House, porters and railway station, with those of the French.

If you visit any fortifications or batteries abroad, mind you discover whether photography is allowed, or you might discover yourself suddenly arrested for espionage!

In some of the remoter parts of Europe cameras are still an interesting phenomenon, provocative of the greatest curiosity among the peasants, so take care never to leave your camera unattended, or the result will probably be a visit to the nearest Kodak dealers for repairs.





HEN Kipling presented to the astonished proprietor of the "Daily Mail" a poem for inclusion in the Monday issue of that paper after the Diamond Jubilee Naval Review at Spithead in 1897, Alfred Harmsworth was doubtful whether the tone would be acceptable to the nation in its then jubilant frame of mind.

Fortunately the poem was published, and it proved to be not merely news born for a day, but a lasting contribution to our national literature. The poem appeared at an opportune moment; something was needed to remind the nation that however automatic our progress had been, due in some measure to a past momentum and also to a lack of competition, the time had come to cede back the glory to the deep source from which it sprang.

Forty years have passed, but what a wealth of worlds between, since the solemn warning:—

".... for frantic boast and foolish word,
Thy mercy on Thy people, Lord!"
was penned.

Such a solemn moment has again arrived in our national history. We cannot be

other than an altered nation, for we have experienced the great ordeal; at the outset of which Kipling again felt constrained to write:—

"No easy hopes or lies
Shall bring us to our goal"

We are more conscious of realities, yet our idealism remains unabated. We are anxious for amity; but it is not the anxiety of a champion to retain his laurels without the trouble and inconvenience of a contest. Never was the National will and mind so eagerly focussed on the desire to promote happiness and goodwill in every home in this country, and in every home throughout the world, but it is not insensible to a recurrence of an old annoyance, which the late Marquis of Salisbury, described when Prime Minister as "Twisting the Lion's Tail."

To those people who are growing tired of these schoolboy pranks we can only pass on a recent utterance of Mr. Winston Churchill: "Some people say, 'Why doesn't the bulldog show his teeth?' I hope he won't until he has finished his visits to the dentist!"



FRIEND of mine asked a mutual acquaintance the other day to what extent the habits and characteristics of people were influenced by the climate and the sort of countryside in which they lived. This is by no means a new thought. It is, however, interesting to dwell upon it. Does the mood of the individual take on the atmosphere of the November fog to the exclusion of his memory of May sunshine? And do the people who dwell in lands that for long seasons are in darkness essentially differ from their fellows who spend their lives under tropical suns? Do the moods of nature react upon the sub-conscious within the individual to the extent that methods of thought, and therefore of action, vary accordingly? To answer such questions satisfactorily would involve a study of humanity as it appears in various parts of the globe.

It is certain that those who dwell among mountains have a development of physical powers which are necessitated by the climbs they have to take. It is also true, one hopes, that those who dwell among the mountains of difficulty have moral and spiritual attainments which are born of the inherent difficulties with which they are surrounded.

Browning it was, I think, who sang, "Oh, to be in England now that April's there." I am not so sure that the particularly dreary April through which we have just passed would have satisfied his artistic longings, but I imagine that his song was the anticipation of the re-opening of the year in its natural beauty, with its longer days and its accompaniments of birds' songs, flowers, and green leaves. Certainly to that

extent the message of spring and early summer is an awakening force to the mind that possesses the eye which sees, and the heart which comprehends. But why sing about April only? Are there not also May and June, every day of which brings its new vision and, as time progresses, its deeper song.

This, for example has been a memorable May. An old farm chap told me a day or two ago that never had the fields been so yellow with their buttercups, and never had he heard the cuckoo's note so deep at the commencement of its short-lived concert in this island. To all the glories of nature's beauties has been added the wealth of colour and ritual of a King's Coronation. A Coronation, too, that has been abundantly rich beyond conception in its wealth of affection and loyalty to a man whose voice so resembles his father's, and who has entered upon the hardest job that the world has to offer to any single individual.

Personally, I think that all this kaleidoscope of nature's moods influences the lives and purpose of those who live among it. Who, for example, has been on the side of a mountain and seen one of the thunder clouds roll over its top while the valley has been in sunshine below, without being moved by the majesty and mystery of the forces that are beyond the control of men? Who, for example, has seen the first snowdrop of the season breaking into flower in a grimy window-box in a mean street, that has not felt that in every heart there lies that sense of beauty and admiration of the best which is a pre-eminent influence in the outlook of the soul? I had some thoughts like these one day recently when returning from

Devonshire we crossed the great hill on which Dunkery Beacon stands. Below, on all sides, were valleys and cleeves running mysteriously into hills that were covered with a grev-blue mist as we stood in the sun.

Can the sight and perception of nature's beauty be altogether dismissed as a factor in the formation of character out of which national ideals should spring? If the answer to this is "Yes," are we not led to the other question as to whether it is not the bounden duty of all to see that all are placed in surroundings which indicate a standard of living that will encourage the best? There are still many people in our towns who have never seen a mountain or the sea, and yet, in spite of this, the noblest form of heroism is practised by many who have not the advantages of those of us who dwell more fortunately. Perhaps, for them, the inspiration comes from the sun; or upon a hot summer's evening when the first stars. appear. It seems to me that there rests increasingly upon the people who have the burden to see that the people who have not shall, at least, have the facilities for sharing in the bounteous gifts of nature that were so obviously designed for all.



MR. RONALD MARSH AND MISS BARBARA MARSH.

Just recently Mr. Ronald Marsh and Miss Barbara Marsh, both children of Mr. A. E. Marsh, have been married.

The kindest and best thoughts of everybody connected with the Harris group of Factories will go out to both of them, as well as the sincere wish that both may find the great happiness in their married lives.

J.F.B.

The "Bodinnar" Football Cup.

KEEN INTER-DEPARTMENTAL COMPETITION.

WAREHOUSE AND PRINTING, &c., v. SAUSAGE

The Warehouse, only team to win the cup three years in succession, started off the 1937 series of matches on May 3rd with a good win over the Sausage. The first few exchanges were fairly even, and then R. Blackford took the ball out on the wing and sent across a nice centre which was met by E. Witchell, who sent in a shot only to see E. Jones make a point blank save. The game had not been on seven minutes when F. Butler missed an open goal, but he atoned for this later. The first goal came after twenty-five minutes play. The Sausage had just repelled an attack, but from the resultant scrimmage R. Blackford secured the ball and, shooting through a crowd of players from about 18 yards out, scored for the Warehouse, E. Jones being unsighted. The Warehouse were doing most of the attacking and forced two corners in quick succession. Then J. West, the Warehouse back, came up the field and sent in a shot from 40 yards out, the ball just sailing over the bar. F. Wilkins was doing good work for the Sausage, but although the Sausage forwards had chances of scoring the Warehouse defence managed to avert the danger. E. Jones punched out a shot from H. Dobson, only to see F. Butler get it and, making no mistake, drive the ball into the net. Just afterwards a shot by R. Bailey skimmed the upright. The Sausage could not get going, and, although D. Brimmer and R. Smith tried hard to get the ball past S. Duck, he was just that too good for them. The second half had hardly started when the Warehouse were awarded a penalty. R. Blackford took the kick, and, although E. Jones saved it, he could not stop Blackford from following up and scoring, making it three goals up for the Warehouse. A few minutes later H. Dobson, who was playing a ripping game for the Warehouse. put across a lovely centre, from which F. Butler scored another goal. The Warehouse went further ahead with a goal by R. Blackford. Young J. Duck, on the wing for the Sausage, was doing quite well and once he

sent in a nice shot, only to see his brother S. Duck, the Warehouse goalie, watch it go just outside the upright. The Warehouse were awarded another penalty. O. Butler took the kick and E. Jones made a magnificent save at the expense of a corner. A. Duck placed the ball right in front of the Sausage goal and I. Garraway headed out a certain goal from underneath the bar. Once again H. Dobson sent across a centre to see F. Butler meet it and drive it into the net. This finished the scoring, the Warehouse running out worthy winners by 6 goals to nil. All the Sausage players were a team of triers and it would be really unfair to pick out any particular player for special mention. The Warehouse defence was good and, of course, the forwards did their share only too well.

Mr. G. Dolman had the game under excellent control, R. King and B. Webb

co-operating on the line.

S.T.

MAINTENANCE AND OFFICE v. SLAUGHTER DEPARTMENT

On Tuesday, May 4th, a keen match was

witnessed between the Office-Engineers and the Slaughter Department, the present holders of the cup. The match began before a fair-sized crowd, the weather being ideal, and everything pointed to an exciting game. Slaughter, having won the toss, elected to play against the top end of the pitch, generally a wise policy, as has been proved. Both teams seemed a little nervous on commencement and for a while play was not very exciting. But after a while Slaughter forwards began an attack and should have scored on two or three occasions, but over-eagerness and fine defensive work, especially by Howard Smart, took the play to the other end of the field. Here Merritt, the Office outside right, sent over some lovely centres, but the first real thrill came when Hughes, after fine approach work to the Slaughter goal, drew Toogood out and fired in a terrific shot, hitting the cross-bar and rebounding into play. Hard luck to the Office, and a lucky escape for the cupholders. At this stage plenty of encouragement, as well as advice, was being given by the spectators, and it was evident some of the players were feeling the effect of the extra exertion. However, the game improved, and from a breakaway on the Office right flank, Merritt scored with a beautiful shot, giving "Stan." no chance. This goal acted as a tonic to the Slaughter, who quickly set about making up arrears, and only the fine defence of their opponents kept them from bringing scores level. Half-time came with no change, 1-0 for Office, they now having to face the most difficult goal in the next half. After the interval the Office began in good style, no doubt confident with their one goal lead, but Angell, the Slaughter captain, and his men settled down to sound football and gave the opposing defence a harassing time. "Algy," in goal, cleared many a tight corner. Young Keble, after a fine effort of his had hit the crossbar, scored a good goal, thus bringing scores level, and making the match very exciting. On one or two occasions appeals for hands were made by the Office, but Mr. Pottow, who ably controlled the game, was firm in his decisions. Once Wilf. Smith made a grand save with Toogood out of position, but at the other end from a free kick taken by Gray, who quickly passed to Bewley, this player drove the ball in through a number of defenders to score goal No. 2. Brewer, the Slaughter right back, unluckily soon after conceded a penalty. Gale took the shot, amidst great excitement, but Toogood made a magnificent save and cleared beautifully. From now on until the final whistle the battle went on, no side scoring again, and so the Slaughter ended up by winning 2-1. A good match, sportingly played, showing fine football by both defences.

WAREHOUSE, PIE, & PRINTING DEPARTMENTS (1) v. SLAUGHTER DEPARTMENT (0).

G.A.

Play started with the Warehouse defending the Gasworks end. The Slaughter were quickly away on the left, but Duck, in the Warehouse goal, cleared safely. A. Butler put his forwards away in good style, but the movement was spoilt by offside. The Warehouse put on pressure and Davies headed back into his own goal for Toogood to clear with F. Butler in close attendance. Angell tried hard to get the Slaughter forwards moving, but strong kicking by West kept them at bay. Witchell next put F. Butler through, but Toogood came out of goal to clear. Play was moving from end

to end and Offer put Gale away, only to see Duck save smartly. Dodson next got away on the Warehouse right and put over a good centre which nearly brought about the downfall of the Slaughter goal, A. Duck kicking just over. Blackford had been working hard for the Warehouse with long passes and an occasional shot at goal, and it was one of these which eventually brought about a goal, his shot from about twenty yards out being deflected by a defénder's boot high out of Toogood's reach. This goal acted as a spur to both teams and the Slaughter attacked strongly, Cleverly beating two opponents and firing in a fast shot which hit an upright with the goalkeeper helpless. The same player kicked just over shortly after when put away by a long pass out by Bewley. The Warehouse wingers were trying hard to get away from the Slaughter halves and it was from their passes that F. Butler and Witchell got in shots which Toogood did well to save. Half-time arrived with the Warehouse keeping their well-deserved lead of one goal to nil.

The Slaughter started the second half in determined fashion and a rasping shot by Gale was well fielded by Duck. Coleman forced the ball away from the danger zone and started his forwards going, but Davies and Brewer proved safe backs. Offer then broke right through for the Slaughter but the ball was too lively for him to get in an effective shot. Dodson and F. Butler put in a sparkling run at the other end which resulted in a fruitless corner. Bewley then left the centre and, making ground on the left wing, put over a centre which might well have met with success, but a good chance went astray. Dodson was very lively on the Warehouse right and after beating three men in succession put over a centre which Brewer cleared in good style. Angell and Webb now went up to the attack and the Slaughter were all out for an equaliser but the Warehouse defence continued to keep them in check. Davies was coming up from left back to have an occasional pot for the Slaughter and this player caused a great thrill in the last minute of the game by taking the ball through to within a few vards of goal, only to see his final effort roll harmlessly past an upright. So ended a sporting game, effectively controlled by Mr. Pottow, with Messrs. B. Dolman and A. Goddard as linesmen.

5th May, 1937.

RETORT AND ALLIES v. KITCHEN From the kick-off the Kitchen immediately started to attack, and after two minutes they obtained their first goal, through Bullock, who, receiving from the right wing, scored a good goal. Play after that was confined to mid-field, both goalkeepers having very little to deal with. At half-time the score was:—Kitchen, 1; Retort, 0. On resumption of play, the Kitchen again started to attack, but this time they had to wait a little longer before success came their way. But after ten minutes the second goal came, through Goddard, who put Drew in an easy position to score—he made no mistake. After this the Kitchen had things much their own way. but as a last effort the Retort forwards combined in their best effort during the game and scored during the last few minutes of play, giving the Kitchen goalie no chance. R. King was the scorer. So ended one more of the series, with Kitchen worthy winners by two goals to one scored by their opponents. E.W.

BODINNAR CUP—SEMI-FINAL

The Kitchen accomplished the task of reaching the final of the competition once again when they beat the Boning and Lard on Friday, the 7th May.

The game was played at a great pace, and for a time at the start the younger players of the Boning and Lard team attacked cleverly.

The Kitchen soon had the ball running for them and two grand movements by the right-wing tested the opposing defence.

In another bright advance Goddard opened the scoring, and he later increased this lead through a penalty.

The Boning and Lard had their moments after the interval, but the excellent defence of Haines and Barry was a feature of the game.

The Kitchen went further ahead through W. Drew (2) and W. Angell, and Ben Webb scored for the Boning team. Mence and Brimmer played admirably for the losers.

The latter team were plucky throughout, but the Kitchen boys went on to win by 5-1, and now meet the Warehouse in the final.

The referee was Mr. B. Ponting. A.M.

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THE FINAL.

WAREHOUSE AND PRINTING v. KITCHEN.

Warehouse won the toss and before many minutes had passed the Kitchen were on the attack, W. Drew shooting just wide of the post. Then the Warehouse took the ball to the Kitchen end and forced a corner. Next we have G. Witchell, the Kitchen goalkeeper, tipping the ball over the bar from a long shot by A. Butler. The Warehouse were keeping up the attack, and by now the game was getting exciting, with the Kitchen a little agitated at meeting such a stubborn resistance. Most of the Kitchen raids developed from the right wing, where B. Dolman and W. Angell were playing, but even these experienced players could not cope with the enthusiasm shown by the Warehouse youngsters. The Warehouse obtained their first goal from a penalty. I. West took the kick, and the goalkeeper could hardly have seen it flash by him. The Kitchen went all out for an equaliser, I. Smart sending in a shot which S. Duck had to dive full length to save. Half-time came with the Kitchen doing the bulk of the attacking, but meeting with a practically impregnable defence.

Five minutes of the second half had gone and the Warehouse had scored again, A. Butler, taking a pass from A. Dixon, sent in a shot from about 45 yards out, and G. Witchell, who appeared to be mesmerised at the audacity of it, did not have a chance. The Kitchen were spurred on more than ever by this sudden reverse, and first of all F. Blackford and then J. Smart sent in shots which nine times out of ten would have meant goals, but S. Duck made magnificent saves. From a movement started by A. Dixon, E. Witchell scored the Warehouse third goal after seventy minutes. The Kitchen never gave up trying, but the Warehouse were too good for them. Meanwhile the Warehouse were after more goals and F. Butler was left with only the goalkeeper to beat. G. Witchell advanced out of his goal and Butler attempted to dribble round him, but failed, Witchell saving at the expense of a corner. The Kitchen were next to force a corner, and once again had bad luck, R. Bewley heading on to the cross-bar. It was all Kitchen now and the ball kept bobbing about in front of the Warehouse goal, and P. Coleman and A. Dixon in succession saved the Warehouse line. Just on time R. Goddard scored a good goal for the Kitchen.

At the presentation Mr. Petherick expressed Mr. Bodinnar's regrets at being unable to be present. Handing the cup to the Warehouse captain, R. Blackford, he congratulated them on their noble fight, and he supposed that now they had won it again they would go all out to repeat their performance of a few years back, when they won it three years in succession.

R. Blackford, speaking for the winners, said how pleased they were to win the cup. He wished the Kitchen better luck next time.

W. Angell replied for the Kitchen and congratulated the Warehouse on their win and hoped that the Kitchen would be more fortunate another year.

S.T.

THEM WAS THE DAYS, THEM WAS!

May I thank R.E.H. for his article, "Public Entertainment." Perhaps I was too fidgetty when young, and was not too keen on the theatre. The only time I visited the theatre was at pantomime time, and then, of course, it was to see the musichall people. One day I'll try to think out something that might be of interest.

It is, however, remarkable to learn that the "stars" of bye-gone days can still entertain in these modern times. I heard only recently of two favourites of mine, G. H. Elliott and Gertie Gitana, who are making hits as of old. The former is still singing "Lily of Laguna" and the latter the everhaunting and much-whistled "Nellie Dean." It wasn't so very long ago that I heard Kate Carney ("Three Pots a Shilling"), and I believe she was then a grandmother. Also Daisy Dormer, who confessed to 60, still singing and dancing and putting over "I wouldn't leave my Little Wooden Hut for you" just as she did it—how many years ago? Mention is made in last month's Magazine of Stanley Holloway. How this reminds one of the old Co-optimists. Shall I be contradicted if I say that there has never been a better and more compact team.

"Long White Beard."

When a stupid man is doing something he is ashamed of, he always declares that it is his duty.—G. B. Shaw.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade is carried on with the sole desire to serve humanity and allay suffering selflessly without any thought of profit or personal gain.

There are approximately 72,000 voluntary workers of this Brigade, and their knowledge of first aid is at your service at all times, whether at home or on the road.

Much of the best work in the world is often taken for granted. Of nothing, perhaps, is this more true than of the services given to the community by the St. John Brigade. The members receive no payment for their work and give their time and effort, often at considerable expense to themselves, in carrying out their varied duties.

The Order of St. John of Jerusalem dates back a thousand years to the time when the Crusaders were battling in the Holy Land against the Saracens, and to-day the workers in the Order are still carrying on the great tradition it has inherited from its forbears.

The sign of the Order is the white eightpointed cross. Each point represents one
of eight qualifications necessary in a firstaider, these being:—Observation, tact,
resource, dexterity, explicitness, discrimination, perseverance, and sympathy. The
symbol has never been carried out more
worthily than it is to-day, and members of
the newly-formed Calne Brigade hope to
prove themselves faithful followers of the
eight-pointed cross.

Men of the Brigades form the Royal Naval Auxiliary Sick Berth Reserve and Voluntary Aid Detachments. They supplement His Majesty's Regular and Territorial Forces in times of national emergency. During the Great War no less than 21,986 members of the St. John Ambulance served with the naval and military forces. At the present time special training is being given in air raid precaution work.

The sacrifice is two-fold for men undertaking this work, that of leisure and that of money. Each man has to work for his living and yet is willing to spend long uncomplaining hours of first aid study and duty.

Uniform and equipment cost money,

and members of the Calne Brigade have met two-thirds of this expense themselves.

The Brigade receives no subsidy from the Government. From whence, then, comes the money to maintain it? From public support.

The Mayor of Calne has kindly set aside July 10th as a Brigade Flag Day. Please give generously.

H. J. GIBBS, D/Sec.

"A little about Bradford."

(By H. W. HEIGHWAY).

Of the various Bradfords, the Yorkshire one is of most importance because of one thing—it is a "wool" town, "Believe it or not." R. E. Jeffries I am sure would be glad to know of a Cathedral that protected itself from artillery fire with bags of wool.

When Royalist troops besieged Bradford during the civil war, the Cathedral tower was festooned with large wool bags to take the shock of King Charles' cannon balls. Presumably these were the 240lb. "packs" of wool and would be effectual cushions for the relatively small cannon balls of that day.

These wool packs are, I believe, the wool sacks Edward III. placed in the House of Lords for his Judges—including the Lord Chancellor—to sit upon, though his is the only woolsack that matters nowadays. The significance of these wool sacks shows the great importance of the wool trade at that time.

Indeed it was then England's chief industry. How many hotels are scattered throughout the land and called the "Woolpack"?

Bradford is the birthplace of the Independent Labour Party, and it was surprising indeed to see the big display of decorations in honour of the Coronation of the King and Queen in May, 1937. It is a wealthy town—though it does not look it. Here they make money quickly, and often lose it quicker.

The other day I chatted with a wool merchant who told of losing £30,000 during the last eleven years, and this man is regarded as one in quite a small way. Also, he has quite a bit left and is not crying over spilt milk.

They talk here of "Tops," and that is shop talk for combed wool, and noils are the

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shorter staples or fibres of the wool and are of less value than the long ones. Just now wool is dear—very dear—and Bradford is "sitting pretty," some mills working night and day. It sometimes happens that husband and wife meet only on a Sunday. The wife works during the day and the man at night. Factory Acts forbid women to work during the night.

One remembers that Sir Henry Irving died in this city, and in as dramatic fashion as he could had the choice been his. He had been playing the name part in Thomas à Becket, and after declaiming, "Into Thy hands, O Lord; into Thy hands," he sank on the stage and shortly afterwards expired.

One of the foremost authorities on art to-day is a native of this city, Sir Wm. Rothenstein. His autobiography is the most perfect example of its kind I have read and brimful of interest. He seems to have known everybody that matters connected with the artistic world and writes with a large tolerance of his weaker contemporaries, and a wide charity of all that is greatly to be commended. And he is a Jew.

Another living notable native to Bradford, one of our front rank writers, is J. B. Priestly, who wrote those best sellers, "The Good Companions" and "English Journey." In the former "Bruddersford" is of course, Bradford. Many regard Priestly as the Dickens of to-day, and quote the "English Journey" in proof thereof.

Photographic Notes.

WITH THE CAMERA AT THE SEASIDE

DO'S AND DON'TS FOR THE HOLIDAY PHOTOGRAPHER

The wise photographer who is going on holiday will carry his Kodak himself during the journey and not pack it in his trunk, for rough handling may easily throw the shutter out of its normal adjustment. Besides, if you have not got your camera with you, you are sure to see some amusing incident on your journey which would make a good snap; and you will never forgive yourself for missing it.

Now, let me put together a few hints which may help you to come back at the end of your holiday with a better lot of snapshots than you have ever brought back before.

Do not load or unload your camera in full sunlight, or the result will be a fogged roll of films. Load it carefully in the shade, and, if there is no shade, shield the camera from the sun with your body.

Do not forget to wind on to the next number immediately after exposing a plate or film. Many a good subject has been lost by being super-imposed on the picture before.

When photographing groups, arrange your sitters so that their legs and arms are approximately the same distance away, otherwise some dainty maiden in the foreground will appear in the negative with shoes like a policeman's number twelves, and she will not like that.

The amateur should try to calculate, before he takes his picture, to what extent the charm of his subject depends on its colour, for there are plenty of scenes which do not look anything at all when reduced to the black and white of a photographic print.

Over-exposure is a common fault among holiday snapshotters at the seaside. At the sea the light is more powerful than it is inland, owing to the amount of light reflected by the sea, and therefore a comparatively short exposure should be given. A cloudy sky is turned into a monotonous white expanse by over-exposure, just as underexposure will turn the brightest day into a gloomy one. These faults can be minimised, and in many cases entirely corrected, if you load your camera, whether Brownie, V.P.K., or folding camera, with the new verichrome film, which allows a great deal of latitude to the photographer, for either under or overexposure.

Do not leave your camera lying on the shore, for the sand will find its way into crevices.

Always carry an extra roll of films with you, and so avoid the disappointment of missing a good picture through lack of sufficient film.

The wise use of a camera enables you to keep a permanent record of the jolly days spent on holiday. Looking through it, you can almost fancy yourself back at the sea, when, in reality, you are once again in the grimy city streets.

Better to pack up when people say, "Why go?" than to wait until they say, "Why not go?"—Patsy Hendren.

A Wayfarer's Note-Book.

THE FJORDS OF NORWAY.

The sun was shining on the sea,
Shining with all his might,
And that was strange, because it was
The middle of the night.

When we go to Norway in mid-summer we can sympathise with Lewis Carroll's "Alice," for it certainly does seem strange to have sunshine at midnight. At Trondhjem, where the Kings of Norway are crowned, there is broad daylight from May 23rd until July 20th, and over the greater part of Scandinavia it is never really dark from April to August.

Norway, perhaps more than any other country, has a character entirely its own. Practically the whole of its coast line is indented with fjords, which geologists tell us are the result of glacial action over thousands and probably millions of years. Some of them are only a few miles long and quite narrow, such as the Geiranger Fjord, famous for its Seven Sisters Fall, one of the



Seven Sisters Fall-Geiranger Fjord.

loveliest in Norway; or the Naero Fjord, which in some places is no more than 200 yards across, while mountains rise sheer from the water's edge to a height of 5,000

feet. Navigation of ocean liners of 20,000 tons in places like these is no easy matter, and the pilot must be on the *qui vive* the whole time.

Nord Fjord is renowned for its magnificent mountain and glacial scenery. Many of the mountains bordering this fjord show great snow-capped peaks, and from the melting glaciers streams and rivulets descend in lace-like cascades or rock-broken waterfalls.

Then there are fjords which are very long, a hundred miles and more. Of these Hardanger and Sogne Fjords are two of the best examples. On the fertile slopes of the hills adjoining the former are many trees, orchards and farms contrasting charmingly with the towering mountains, while Sogne Fjord is remarkable for its barrenness and desolate grandeur.



Waterfall at Ulvik-Hardanger Fjord.

Nearly all the fjords have mountains on either side, seamed by foaming waterfalls, and when we have penetrated many miles inland it is difficult to realise that our ship is still gliding along gently in sea-water often hundreds of fathoms deep. As the ship winds its way in and out, round one bend, then another, so the whole scene changes before our eyes, unfolding a picture of stark nature in all her glory.

Almost every day the ship is at anchor

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long enough for walks ashore so that we may explore many of the villages or towns as well as the surrounding country. Fox farms are to be found here and there and sometimes they are perched high up in the mountains, apparently in the most inaccessible spots.

Houses and churches are mostly made of wood from the trees which grow in such

abundance all over Scandinavia.

As might be expected a very fine race of people inhabit this natural Wonderland. The Norwegians are fair, good looking, and of fine physique; in fact, the purest blooded race in the world.

WAYFARER.

Fen Land Floods.

An interesting account of the misfortune that has befallen the Fen Lands appeared in our April number. That this disaster has happened will not come as a surprise to those who have been in close touch with the district

If there are any of our readers who missed the book when it was published three years ago I should like to bring Miss Dorothy Sayers' "Nine Tailors" to their notice. In this book Miss Savers forecast the flooding of the Fens. The "Nine Tailors" comes under the heading of detective stories -it is that, but it is much more than that. The book relates the doings of Lord Peter Wimsey, an amateur sleuth. The background of the story is charming and gives one an almost complete picture of Fen Land life. That the writer of the "Nine Tailors" should know so much of this countryside—of its people and its churches—is natural, for her early life was lived in the Fen Country, while her father was Vicar of Bluntisham-cum-Earith, and later on of Upwell.

For her forecast of the 1937 flood Miss Sayers dug out the detail of a former disaster, which occurred in 1713, through the breaking down of the river wall at Denver.

I see that a Dutch expert has been called in to give advice. He is Dr. J. Schoenfeld, and is Director General of Inland Waterways of the Netherlands. His remedy is to apply to the Fen Lands methods used by Holland in the case of the Zuyder Zee. It would seem it is not merely the trouble of heavy rainfalls, but is complicated by the Wash outlet to the North Sea.

Miss Savers' sleuth hero, Lord Peter Wimsey, appears in another of her books, called "Unnatural Death." This book should be well known at Chippenham, for it contains a splendid advertisement of Bradenham Hams. As the story goes, Wimsey is investigating a series of murders. One victim is found in Epping Forest. Close by the body—a girl employed as a waitress in a tea shop—is found what may be a clue. It is just a ham sandwich. The Scotland Yard men say so-just a ham sandwich, and are inclined to leave it at that. Not so Peter Wimsey, who is intrigued to find that this is no ordinary ham sandwich such as might be taken out with a party of people picnicking in the Forest. There is, in fact, something very special about it, and Wimsey, who is an epicure on foods and drinks, at once sees something a little out of normal. He says, "This is a ham sandwich; but how did it get here in Epping Forest?" The ham in it he said is a dish fit to lure Zeus from Olympia; it is ham from a coal-black treacle-cured Bradenham. So the trail is laid, the ham traced to a famous West End store, and eventually "murder will out."

R.E.H.

WHO IS IT?- No. 3



"Charley's Aunt."

LTHOUGH challenged by the backward state of garders, and a strong counter-attraction in the form of Tod Slaughter's Barnstormers in "East Lynne," on the Regional wave-length on the Wednesday, yet in spite of these overwhelming odds, the Dramatic Section of the H.W.A. managed to draw encouraging support for their presentation of "Charley's Aunt" This success was all the more satisfactory as one half of the proceeds were given to the Mayor's Coronation Celebrations Fund. The previous four three-act plays, eight one-act plays, two revues, and pantomime have almost exhausted our stock of superlatives with which to extol the latest production of the Dramatic Section.

R. Caswell, who, assisted by E. V. Butler and H. Simpkins, stage-managed the production, contributed a very large percentage of the two evenings' success. The three scenes were excellently painted and special tribute must be paid to the "Garden outside

Jack Chesney's Rooms," in which setting Act II. transpired.

Ralph Hill's Brasset was suitably suave, respectful, and, where necessary, familiar. It was an excellent presentation with both suitable voice and deportment.

Jack Wiltshire, who portrayed Jack Chesney, appeared in his first big part, and made an unqualified success of the job. His graduation in public debate and platform oratory undoubtedly helped his clear diction and the certainty with which his points were made and situations carried off.

Thanks are due to Don Purvis, who was literally chased from point to point whilst on a walking tour during his vacation, and finally held up at a hostel in the North with a challenge to take the part of Charles Wykeham at a week's notice. Unable to resist, he did some intensive work and intensive thinking, and for two nights became very successfully a totally different Mr. Purvis to the one we know in every-day life.

Richard Swaffield has in his time played many parts, the most successful one being the most ridiculous. There was drollery



"CHARLEY'S AUNT"-PRODUCER AND CAST.

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without extravagance, absurdity without mere buffoonery in his Charley's Aunt. Personally, we think Richard looked a wee bit too tall, but apart from this unalterable physical fact the presentation of the part was an unalloyed delight. His exits and entrances never failed to reap suitable roars of delight and his masculine asides contrasted cleverly with his female dialogues with the girls.

Verney Burness as Kitty Verdun, Marjorie McLean as Amy, and Sybil McLean as Ela Delahay introduced a delicious touch of feminity into an eminently masculine atmosphere. They looked charming, their acting was convincing, and their words came clearly to all parts of the house, thus providing a most satisfactory combination.

Gerald Ashman, as Col. Sir Francis Chesney, Bart. (late Indian Service), was mature with just that gaiety of heart that one so often finds in middle age. Mr. Ashman is blessed with an excellent stage presence. This, combined with the past experience in technique and voice control, enabled him to make the best of the most attractive part which has yet been allotted him by the Casting Committee.

Stephen Spettigue was portrayed by Roy White. Mr. White is blessed with a voice as deep as his frame is tall. The serio-comic element introduced into this part was one of the high lights of the performance. His serious pursuing of Charley's Aunt never failed to produce a chorus of chuckles and laughter, and yet (and this was the clever part) he was always, even in the most ludicrous situation, Stephen Spettigue, solicitor of Oxford.

Kathleen Angell brought a wealth of experience to her Donna Lucia D'alvadorez. It is just mere prejudice on our part, but we prefer our Donna Lucia with a contralto voice. Miss Angell made the most of the sentimental and tender interludes with which her part was sprinkled and introduced a soothing caressing tone into her words which only past experience could have taught her.

Chrissie McRae (Maud) and Herbert Woodman (Farmer, a College Scout) are two promising recruits who helped to round off the cast.

Fred Stockdale and his Futurists rendered an attractive programme of music during the evening.

Thanks are due to Miss Fellows for her

excellent dressing and make-up, and once again to Mr. R. B. Swaffield for his "best-so-far" production.

Harris Boys see Coronation Pageant.

Our thanks are due to the Firm for granting us facilities to take advantage of the invitation extended to them by the Industrial Welfare Association to nominate several boys who had attended the Duke of York's Annual Camps to view the Coronation procession.

At last the eagerly-awaited May 12th arrived, and 1.15 a.m. found us waiting on the Strand for the special coaches running from Bristol. We had a good trip up, and after refreshments at the coach station, we proceeded to find Victoria Square, the rendezvous for the Duke of York's Camp Section. As we had two hours to wait before assembling we entered the carefully-guarded "tickets only" area and walked round past Buckingham Palace, along Constitution Hill to Hyde Park Corner.

The gaily decorated stands were almost full and we saw people from every walk of life hurrying to their particular positions. Back in Victoria Square we met some of our camp friends, and many happy reminiscences were discussed.

We proceeded to our position on the north side of Constitution Hill via the Palace gardens. This unusual opportunity was much appreciated by all. Several cars containing celebrities drove past us on their way to the Palace, and all the time we had something to engage our attention. The B.B.C. commentary was relayed through numerous loud speakers, and the hours passed quickly. Later in the morning the five thousand troops representative of the British Empire marched by, accompanied by loud cheering. During the afternoon everyone joined in community singing, and when an incident happened it was greeted with cheers and laughter. For instance, a small squad of policemen marched along the route, and the crowd had great fun keeping them in step with a tremendous "left, right."

The weather was rather dull all day, and just after the head of the procession passed

us, slight rain began to fall. This, however, did not dampen the enthusiasm, and each contingent of men received a rousing reception. When the coaches came into view the crowds went wild with excitement, cheering each one with a mighty roar. We had an excellent view and saw their Majesties quite clearly as the State Coach passed within a few yards of us. Afterwards we made our way as quickly as possible to the Palace, where thousands of people shouting "We want the King" presented an unforgettable sight. The King and Queen, with other members of the Royal Family, appeared on the balcony, much to everyone's delight.

In order to obtain a little rest we went to a cinema at five o'clock, where we saw a picture of the State Coach leaving the Palace and proceeding to Westminster Abbey. During the evening we toured the entire processional route, viewing the marvellous decorations and illuminations. We heard the King's speech broadcast publicly just outside the Abbey, where the expensive stands were crowded with waiting people. At eleven o'clock we arrived outside Buckingham Palace, where a huge crowd still shouted for the King.

Our coach left London at midnight, reaching Calne at 4.10 a.m. We shall always treasure the memory of the Coronation of King George VI. and Queen Elizabeth, and we agree that it was the greatest pageant one could wish to see. It made us feel proud that we are members of the British Commonwealth.

In conclusion, we should like to express our grateful thanks to Mr. Bodinnar for his very kind help towards making this neverto-be-forgotten experience possible for us.

KENNETH COUSINS. RAYMOND GODDARD. ARTHUR HITCHENS. EDWIN LITTLE.

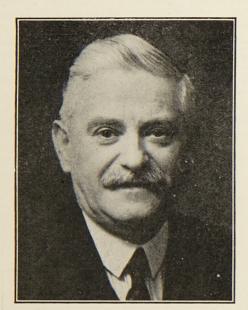
CALNE CORONATION PROCESSION—H.W.A. PARTICIPANTS.



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Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. W. H. THOMAS.



Mr. Walter H. Thomas, who is a native of Derry Hill, and who in his early youth was in the service of the late Lord Lansdowne, commenced his service with the Company when the Bradenham Ham business was transferred from Stoke-on-Trent to Chippenham, in 1897, and on October 1st this year he will complete his forty years.

Since 1899 he has been in charge of the Bradenham Ham Department, and during this period many thousands of these celebrated hams have passed through his hands.

Walter, as he is generally known, is of a genial and kindly disposition, and is very popular with both the indoor and outdoor staffs.

Many people we expect found the Coronation chicks displayed in Messrs. Wiltshire's windows very amusing. One bright young lady was also very amusing, saying that she supposed when the chickens lost their fur they would return to their natural colourings.

I consider an egg new laid up to seven days. After that it becomes a fresh egg. It may be in a new laid condition some time after. It depends on the condition of the egg when it is laid.—POULTRY EXPERT.



At Chippenham, on April 17th, Miss Beatrice Randall was married to Mr. Wilfred Jones, of Pontypool. The bride wore a green two-piece suit with small biege hat, green shoes, stockings to match, and chamois gloves.

Miss Randall was ten years in the Printing Department and was presented with an overmantel and bedroom rug from her colleagues.

On April 24th, at Calne Parish Church, Miss Freda Angell was married to Mr. Frank Bright, of Chippenham. The bride was given away by her father, and wore a gown of white silk crepe, with wreath of orange blossom and veil, white satin shoes, and carried a sheaf of lilies. The bride was attended by two bridesmaids, who wore dresses of pale blue silk crepe satin, head-dresses of blue flowers, shoes of same shade, stockings to tone, and blue lace mittens. Their bouquets were of pink carnations.

Miss Angell was ten years in the Sausage Department, and was the recipient of a palm stand.

The honeymoon was spent in Portsmouth. The bride's going away costume was navy blue pin stripe, with hat and shoes and gloves of the same shade.

At Calne Parish Church, on April 17th. Miss Mildred Gardiner was married to Mr. Sidney Duck, of the Pie Department. The bride was given away by her brother and wore a gown of ivory satin, wreath of orange blossom and veil, white satin shoes, and carried a sheaf of lilies. Two bridesmaids were in attendance; they wore dresses of blue crepe suede, silver shoes, stockings to tone, blue picture hats trimmed with satin ribbon, and blue flowers, and carried bouquets of pink carnations. Miss Gardiner was seven years in the Sausage Department, and was the recipient of a palm stand from the department. Mr. Duck was presented with a bed chair from the Pie Department.



From time to time we have referred to the illness of Mr. J. P. Cartwright, our Representative in Cardiff, Newport, and South Wales. Mr. Cartwright was taken ill in the summer of 1934 and was so for a long time. His work was carried on by his two sons and his assistant, Mr. T. J. Charles. Mr. Cartwright made a very wonderful recovery, but his illness was such that, much to our regret, he felt that he could not carry on and he asked to be released so that he could enjoy a quieter time. Mr. Cartwright had been with the Firm for some 25 years, during which time he gave exceedingly loyal service and won the respect of everybody.

Arrangements have been made for this important territory to be looked after in the Cardiff area by Mr. E. J. Cartwright, and in the Newport area by Mr. T. J. Charles.

We wish Mr. J. P. Cartwright continued improvement in his health so that he may enjoy his hard-earned rest.

Mr. A. K. Hopkins recently had to enter Hospital for a few days for a minor operation. We are glad to say that he made a quick recovery, and tells us that he is already feeling the benefit of what he underwent. Mrs. Hopkins was in Hospital at the same time for treatment. We wish them both much-improved health in the future.

BRITISH ARCTIC EXPEDITION, 1937.

This Expedition leaves for eighteen months in Greenland during the sum ner. The object of the Expedition is to study conditions in the North of Greenland. We are supplying a quantity of goods, and recently received a visit from Mr. D. Haig-Thomas, who is accompanying the Expedition. He had some very interesting things to tell us with regard to the suitability of Bacon for use in the Arctic Regions. Mr. Haig-Thomas has already written a book with

regard to his school days and a previous visit to the Frozen North. One of the objects of the present visit is to obtain copy for another book. We wish the Expedition every success in their arduous undertaking.

J.H.G.

SOLUTION TO "OUR QUERY"—APRIL ISSUE.

You wish to know what number joins Gas, if 1,599 Unites Electricity.

Firstly, if Electricity has been united there must have been some obstacle previously causing separation. I presume the obstacle was "volted." This action is known in "Current" circles as "Ohm" work.

To get down to the gas problem, let us determine a definite body to which we must join gas. The human body is obviously involved by Gastritis (pronounced Gas-tri-t'us).

It is obvious, therefore, that Tri joins Gas—t'us.

The number that joins gas is therefore 3. O.E.D.

L'AMITIE.

Si l'on m'offrait, sans l'amitié Tous les trésors, la gloire même, Je préférerais la moitié Des souffrances de ceux que j'aime.

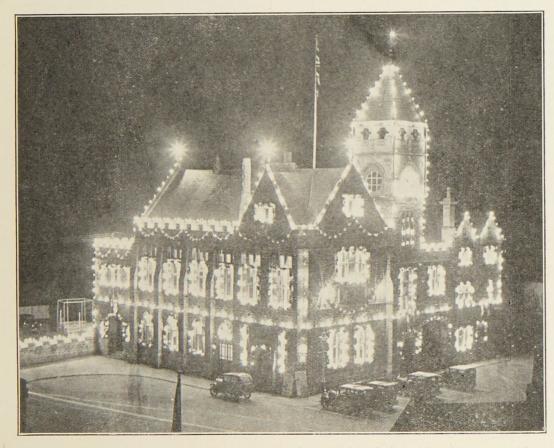
Car rien ne vaut pour le bonheur L'amitié d'une âme fidèle, La vie est un rude labeur Qu'on ne peut supporter sans elle.

Car sur la terre et dans les cieux Tout l'un par l'autre se complète L'amitié c'est un coeur à deux, C'est une âme qui se reflète.

BLANCHET.



CALNE TOWN HALL CORONATION ILLUMINATIONS.



The above photograph, which does full justice to the striking effect obtained, is the work of Mr. Fuller, of the Engineering Dept.



HOCKEY.

Since our last report we have played six matches—winning three, losing three. At Oldfield Park, Bath, on March 20th, we won by 9 goals to 2. Seven of these were scored by Irene Hunt in one of the too-few appearances she has made this season. Other goals were scored by Phyllis Rubery and Chrissie McRae. It was a pleasure to watch the combined efforts of the forwards on this occasion. They certainly combined in a manner seldom seen during the past two seasons and their good work enabled the defence to work with that cohesion and accuracy only good play elicits. On Easter Monday our mixed team visited Holcombe and won a sturdy game by 3 goals to 2. We were handicapped by the rough ground and also in playing one man less than our opponents. W. Smith scored 2 goals and A. Dixon the other. On April 3rd our girls. entertained Wills', of Swindon, and were defeated by 5 goals to 1, our scorer being K. Angell. Our local competitors—Whitley visited us on April 8th, and they proved too strong and much too fast for us, and so we suffered defeat by 8 goals to nil. On April 14th we encountered the County Officials, Trowbridge, mixed team, and lost by 2 goals to 6. We were without our goalkeeper, Miss M. Angell, and our loss is reflected in the score. R. Swaffield and W. Smith were our scorers.

The last match of the season was on April 24th, when we visited Swindon and played Christchurch. This game was won by 6 goals to nil. M. Edney scored 3 goals, M. Hitchens 1, P. Rubery 1, F. Henley 1. Of the 35 matches arranged 13 were scratched, 7 won, 11 lost, and 4 drawn. Not a very good record perhaps, but an improvement on last season. We scored 62 goals to our opponents 71. The weakness of the team was evident in the forward line, principally owing to so many changes taking place in its constitution. Continual changes in this

respect cannot be for good, and until a regular playing side is obtained success cannot come our way. The defence has, on the whole, been very good, and Margaret Angell in goal has been of wonderful strength to the team. The Club is indebted to many friends who have kindly arranged catering for teas when home matches have been played, and the help these non-playing friends have given is much appreciated.



1st XI. v. CHIPPING SODBURY.

The new cricket season started auspiciously on May 1st with a fine win against Chipping Sodbury, at Lickhill. Winning the toss, Bromham elected to bat and our opening pair—Swaffield and Haines—laid the foundation of a respectable score by carrying the same to 37 before they were separated. Another helpful partnership—38 this time was made by Stevens and Carter, the former eventually carrying out his bat for a most creditable 48. Replying to our total of 114, Chipping Sodbury lost six wickets for 33 and it looked as if a very easy win was approaching. This was not so, however, and the concluding moments of the game were nigh on anxious—92 runs were on the board and two wickets to fall. Skipper Bromham had rightly tried as many bowlers as possible —in all seven—and at the crucial moment brought back his opening pair to finish off the innings and effect a win by 17 runs. After a shaky start, when three chances were not accepted, our fielding improved, and the wicket-keeping of the skipper was brilliant; two of the three catches he made were particularly good, one dismissing H. I. Savory, the Bristol University player, who has had a couple of trials for Gloucestershire.

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Our successful bowlers were:—Taylor 3, wickets for 17; Nash, 3 for 32; Witchell (E.), 1 for 2; Carter, 1 for 10; and Stevens, 1 for 12. Scores:—

HARRIS C.C.

| R. Swaffield c Hughes b Phipps | 19 |
|---------------------------------|----|
| K. Haines b Phipps | 14 |
| F. I. Nash c Hughes b Phipps | 0 |
| J. E. Bromham b Phipps | 0 |
| R. Stevens not out | 48 |
| G. Witchell b Phipps | 1 |
| P. Carter c Savory b Phipps | 16 |
| S. L. Drewell c Walter b Savory | 1 |
| J. Wiltshire c Walters b Hughes | 9 |
| E. Witchell b Phipps | 0 |
| I. J. Taylor b Phipps | 0 |
| Extras | 6 |
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Chipping Sodbury C.C.:—97.

1st IX. v. LACOCK.

An exciting finish was witnessed in this match at Lickhill, on May 8th. After scoring 94 for five wickets, and only requiring 18 runs to win, three wickets fell in quick succession, and victory was not secured until the tenth man went in. The situation was tense and every run made created a feeling of relief or anxiety according to the side one was on, and in the end only three runs was the margin between victory and defeat. In getting Lacock out for 112 we were mostly indebted to the bowling of I. J. Taylor, who secured five wickets for 37—a good performance on a medium-paced wicket.

Other bowlers were R. Swaffield 2 for 17, J. Wiltshire 2 for 18, and R. Stevens 1 for 20. J. Bromham again brought off a good catch behind the stumps and S. L. Drewell made no mistake with two excellent catches in the deep field. We opened our innings none too well and two wickets were quickly down for three runs. However, with R. Swaffield and R. Stevens together a splendid partnership of 63 was made before the latter was dismissed for an attractive 22. The former went on to complete his 50 in splendid and faultless style. It was on his departure at 94 that the before-mentioned collapse took place. Scores:—

Lacock:-112.

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| R. Swaffield b Stevens | 51 |
| K. Haines c Stevens b May | 0 |
| G. Witchell c Dewey b May | 0 |
| R. Stevens c and b Stevens | 22 |
| J. Wiltshire c Ball b May | 12 |
| J. Bromham, b Stevens | 4 |
| S. L. Drewell lbw b Stevens | 0 |

HARRIS C.C.

 W. Butler not out
 3

 I. J. Taylor b May
 2

 R. B. Swaffield b May
 0

 Extras
 16

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E. Witchell lbw b Stevens 5

"Then the traveller in the dark
Thanks you for your cheerful spark."

It was a dark, drear night. Conditions over the Downs were terrible. We felt exhausted and depressed. Then we ran into Calne.

A bright, scarlet building displayed large illuminated gold letters:—

H A R R Appointment. I S

The re-action was electrical. We faced the remainder of our journey with cheerfulness and equanimity.

Now, whenever we sit down to a breakfast of Wiltshire Bacon (Harris, of course), that feeling of exaltation pervades us.

No matter how depressing our correspondence may be, or the news in the daily papers, we feel reinforced for *anything*.

Long live Harris, of Calne.

* * * TO RE-HEAT MEAT.

Oh! that cold joint. Try this:—Cut some slices from the joint, sprinkle with a little dry mustard, pepper, and salt. Fry in boiling fat. Dredge a little flour into the pan, add vegetable water, or thin stock, a little browning if required, and pour over meat.

ELIZABETH.

Friends Elsewhere.



FOOTBALL MATCH—SINGLES v. MARRIEDS

This match, which was played on the ground of the Chippenham Town Football Club, on Thursday, 22nd April, 1937, in the presence of a fair gathering of employees, including our Manager, Mr. W. V. Long, Catpain C. Herbert Smith, and Mr. J. G. Hooper, proved to be one of the most interesting events so far arranged by the Welfare Association.

It was found impossible to play two elevens, so the teams took the field with ten men a side, the Singles wearing white and the Marrieds blue jerseys.

The Singles won the toss and kicked up the pitch. Neither side settled down at the start and play favoured both teams. However, Helps got away on the right, put in a good shot, which was saved at the expense of a corner, which was cleared.

Play returned to the other end and the Singles conceded a corner, which was well cleared by Heath, but the Veterans continued pressing, and Hazell was able to open the scoring with a high dropping shot. Exchanges continued fairly even, both goal-keepers being called in to deal with minor shots.

A breakaway by Williams enabled the outside right to put on a perfect centre, which Lem accepted and banged into the net, making the scores even.

Both sides now made desperate efforts to gain a half-time lead, and the first free kick of the match was awarded to the unmarried men. The kick was taken by Yeates, who put the ball into Timberlake's

hands and missed the opportunity of gaining the lead. Half-time:—

Resuming, both sides made strenuous efforts to score first, and after a few minutes play the singles were provided with a goal by Hanks.

There was more liveliness now, and after some mid-field play Warne got away with the ball. Swayne was able to punch away, but Hazell, following up, tapped it into the net, making the score again even. The Singles now really got going, and the blue goalkeeper gave a fine display, but was eventually beaten by Hanks.

Once again this advantage was not held for long, Warne making an opening which gave Swayne the opportunity of making things level for the third time.

It was now obvious that the pace was beginning to make its mark on the older men; the forwards in the white jerseys were breaking down the blue defence. Turner, in an anxious moment galloping across to stop Lem, handled the ball, giving a penalty which proved to be a goal.

Two more goals were also added by Hanks and Helps for the Singles, who now appeared to have the game in hand. However, the married men were not quite finished, and they furnished the most exciting incident of the match. Hazell, with some neat footwork, which received applause from the crowd, sent Warne racing towards goal. This player sent in a terrific shot and Swayne making a perfect swan-like dive, pushed the ball away, a proper melee taking place in front of the goal. It is difficult to decide who scored the goal that was the outcome of this scramble. Hazell and Hawkins both took some part in it, but the fact that Hawkins was discovered in the back of the net with the ball helped the onlookers to make a decision.

No more scoring took place and the Singles deserved their win:—

Teams:—Marrieds—H. Timberlake, R. Edwards, J. Turner, J. Burchell, G. Clifford, F. Sawyer, A. Hawkins, G. Warne, R. Burry, and G. Hazell. Singles—J. Swayne, R. Simpkins, P. B. Heath, H. Butler, E. C. Yeates, H. C. Archard, E. C. Helps, A. Lem, T. H. Williams, and R. Hanks.

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SKITTLES SUPPER.

A most successful skittle season came to an end on Saturday, 24th April, 1937, with a supper and presentation of trophies and prizes at the Old Road Inn.

About thirty sat down to supper, including our Manager, Mr. W. V. Long, Captain Herbert Smith, Mr. J. G. Hooper, and Mr. B. F. Pinfield. Mr. Long read a letter from our Chief expressing his regret at not being present, carrying his best wishes for a happy evening and his thanks for the invitation extended to him. Mr. J. B. Stanley also sent an apology for being unable to attend, together with his wishes for an enjoyable evening.

After the Loyal Toast had been given, Mr. Long proposed the toast of the Skittles Team. He congratulated the team on the way they had hung together, and coupled with the toast the captain, Mr. J. Baker. Mr. Baker, in acknowledging, thanked those present for their support during the past season, and hoped that the future would see even greater interest shown in skittles.

Captain C. H. Smith proposed the toast of the Secretaries, whom, he said, deserved thanks for all the work which was necessary in arranging these events. Messrs. Fortune and Yeates, in response, expressed their thanks for the kind remarks and words of encouragement.

Next came the presentation of prizes and trophies by Mr. Long to the following successful members:—

"J.G.H." Challenge Cup—Mr. J. Burchell.
Prize for highest average (given by Mr.
Long)—Mr. F. Taylor, 6.52 pins.

Prize for highest individual score (given by Mr. J. B. Stanley)—Mr. F. Taylor, 29 pins.

James Bullock Cup (competition for departments)—Slaughter Team (Killers), Mr. F. Taylor (captain).

Boys' Dart Cup—Mr. R. Wood.

The toast of our Manager and Chairman of the Welfare Association was ably given by Mr. B. F. Pinfield, who said that he had worked with Mr. Long for forty years, had found him always to be a perfect gentleman, always willing to hear and attend to everybody's wants. Mr. Long, in responding, thanked all present for the way the proposer's remarks had been received, and said he was happy in knowing that during the forty-five

years he had worked at Chippenham he had had no trouble or upsets. He had a great affection and respect for everyone whatever his job.

Mr. Hooper then proposed the Host and Artists, and this brought to a conclusion a

very enjoyable evening.

At intervals musical items and songs were given by Captain C. Herbert Smith, Mr. M. Hathaway, Mr. G. Stone, Mr. E. Holder, Mr. E. Taylor, Mr. E. C. Yeates and Mr. C. Lucas accordian solos, and Mr. J. Swayne accompanist.

Mrs. Yeates was responsible for the excellent supper which was provided.

PRESENTATION.

At the close of business on Monday, 5th April, Mr. Long presented to Mr. L. Turner a barometer, from his fellow workmates on the occasion of his recent marriage.

CONGRATULATIONS.

To Mr. G. Clifford, of the Factory Staff, who has become the father of a bonny son, we offer our congratulations.

W.H.W.

"J.G.H." CHALLENGE CUP.

On Friday, 16th April, 1937, a company of prospecting cup holders assembled at the Railway Inn to decide who should have the privilege of holding the above trophy for the coming twelve months.

The first round finished without extracting any undue surprises. During the second round the present cup-holder was defeated by Mr. J. Burchell after a very close game. Some very interesting games marked the third round, and out of four games two were drawn so that it was unnecessary to play an extra leg.

The semi-final produced two games of real skill, and the two players who emerged—
J. Burchell and F. Taylor—certainly deserved to reach the final round. This proved a rare struggle and at the end of the three legs both were even, having scored 17 pins each. Once again an extra leg was necessary, and J. Burchell was just able to prove his superiority by two pins and so become the third holder of the trophy.

A very pleasant evening concluded by the cup winner playing Mr. J. G. Hooper (the donor) and defeating him by two pins.



We are afraid the notes from Dunmow lately have not been very many. The fact is we find it rather difficult to find topics which we think would be of interest to all our friends at other factories. We must admit, however, that we were very lax in not putting any in last month, which, we believe, was the Coronation number. Nevertheless, we can definitely state that we at Dunmow are very loyal subjects of His Majesty the King, even though we omitted to make any comment on the Coronation in the last issue.

As no doubt many are aware, we at Dunmow, have run a football team this last season, the first that has been run for many years, and the chief topic now is, "How have we fared?" The results are briefly as follows. We have played 22 matches, of which we won 6, drew 3, and lost 13. These results to our friends elsewhere will, no doubt, seem very poor, but we at Dunmow, while not being entirely satisfied with them, are not too disappointed, because, being a very young club, we did not anticipate that we should go the whole season without a number of losses. We are, however, hoping for far better things next season. We managed to get as far as the semi-final of the Braintree and District Junior League Cup, and we only lost in that round in the last minute of the game, which was very unfortunate for us.

Now the summer is nearly upon us we are all beginning to think of our annual outing again. We understand that the Directors have again very kindly consented to give us facilities for having an outing, and we are trying to arrange, if possible, for as large a party as we possibly can to visit

Calne on the date of the annual Flower Show. We all had a most enjoyable time when we visited it two years ago, and feel sure that if it can be arranged we shall have an even better time this year.

O.J.S.



Now that the football season is drawing to a close, perhaps it would be fitting to give a brief resume of the season's play at Eastleigh.

The forwards have been brilliant, there cannot possibly be any other word for it, and at times it has been very difficult to count the number of goals scored. This all points to the fact that the defence has been weak, but, considering the offside rule has been ignored, we must not put too much blame on them.

However, some of the games have been quite entertaining. How we shall miss the sight of Left-winger Collins dashing down the wing with the ball at his toes, and the stentorian voice of Skipper Angell rallying his men for one more effort before the final hooter blows.

L. W. Collins has been the most consistent goal scoring forward, whilst E. Angell and J. Taylor have done sterling work in the defence. We are also pleased to see the youngsters shaping along the proper lines, especially T. Barfoot, whose height is a great asset in keeping goal.

Next season we might be able to effect some alterations to the ground, some new barrels to replace the old ones as goal-posts, and perhaps some old fish nets to go round them.

A score-board on the office wall would also help considerably in keeping the correct score without any arguments afterwards, and perhaps a referee would be beneficial to both players and spectators alike.

We hear that the English selectors might watch the opening games next season, and are really not surprised because it is in games like these that Internationals are often found. The lads are talking of running the club properly next season. If this is so the office staff and others will also have to do some running to keep out of the vice-presidency posts.

However, we shall miss the games immensely, and hereby take the opportunity of wishing them good hunting and killing

next season.

AMATEUR FOOTBALLER.



SPORT.

OUR VISIT TO CHIPPENHAM.

On Saturday, April 3rd, some 30 of us journeyed to Chippenham to play our return games of football and skittles in the competition for the cup, kindly presented by our Deputy-Chairman and Managing Director. J. F. Bodinnar, Esq., J.P., and we are pleased to record that after a strenuous game of football in the afternoon our team won by two goals to nil, thus placing us six points up, and we were then assured of taking the cup back to Highbridge. The company then adjourned for tea, at the invitation of the Chippenham Staff Welfare Association, at the Railway Hotel, the company doing justice to the good things provided, after which a few speeches were made, which we leave our friends at Chippenham to report.

The tea being over just after 6.30 p.m. left an hour to spare before the battle in the game of skittles began, and most of the company spent the time pleasantly looking around the town, and especially the places of interest and ancient tradition, of which the town of Chippenham is renowned.

At 7.30 p.m. the battle began, and after a rather exciting and interesting game, our friends at Chippenham were the victors by 13 pins, and well did they deserve to win.

At 9 p.m. we were invited to a "snack" of bread and cheese, &c., when the "cup" was presented to our football captain by W. V Long, Esq., Manager at Chippenham, amidst great applause. The company then enjoyed themselves for an hour or so in music and song and the day's proceedings terminated

at 11 p.m.

We must thank our friends at Chippenham very much for their kindness and for the trouble taken in entertaining us, as we all enjoyed ourselves and look forward to our visit again next season. From a social and sporty point of view these Inter-Factory games should promote a healthy and recreative spirit amongst the staffs of the factories. There is a great deal of good in healthy competitive sports and games, so long as the people concerned are good losers as well as winners; in fact, it engenders the spirit of conceding the fruits of victory to the better team at all times.

SKITTLES.

"ANNE KIDLEY" CUP COMPETITION

As already reported, our veteran skittler, Mr. W. J. Pople, of the Office Staff, was the winner in this competition, and well did he deserve the trophy, which he has the distinction of winning a second time.

The cup and miniature were presented to the victor on Friday afternoon, April 23rd, at the Factory, before the whole of the staff, by the Miss Anne Kidley after whom the cup is named, this young lady being first introduced to the company by her father, our esteemed manager, A. G. Kidley, Esq.

Here's health to you, Mr. Pople, and may you always get the "pin" you want, and that "floppers" and not "flappers" be your luck.

The League games in the Highbridge and District League having been completed in March, we could not let the present season pass away without a friendly game or two, and a couple of games were arranged, one on Friday, the 9th April, at the Railway Hotel alley, Captain H. Blackmore v. Sub-Captain (F. Pople), and we are pleased to record that victory went to the Vice-Captain's team with a win o 10 pins. Everyone enjoyed themselves and hope that more of these will be arranged for next season. The other match was one of a challenge from the Management and Office Staff to "The Rest"

of employees, and was played at the alley of the Crown Hotel, Oxford Street, Burnhamon-Sea, on Tuesday, 27th April, this being the best accommodated alley in the district, thanks to the present landlord. This alley is well worth a visit by any team of skittlers. After a somewhat hilarious and hectic game the spoils of victory were awarded "The Rest "team, who, captained by the Captain of the Skittle Club, won by 32 pins, and they really deserved to win. The Staff put up a good fight, but not good enough. Six hands were played. Total scores for ten players each side were as follows:-" The Rest," 438 pins; Management and Office Staff, 406.

After this strenuous but enjoyable game followed a "snack" and sing-song, where full justice was done to the good things provided, not forgetting the "beer." During these proceedings Mr. Pople, the winner of the "Anne Kidley" trophy, filled the trophy and toasted the health of the Donor and Mrs. and Anne Kidley, to the accompaniment of musical honours and great applause. The company were amused by song and after-dinner stories until 10.30 p.m., when the proceedings terminated with a hearty vote of thanks to our Host and Hostess (Mr. and Mrs. Munro) and with the singing of the National Anthem, everyone declaring having spent a really jolly evening, and if what a little bird whispers to our correspondent, this is the alley for next season's games. What about it, you skittlers?

C.B.S.

We have to congratulate this month Mr. J. Young, of the Creamery staff, who has taken unto himself a wife, and it is the hearty wish of all his colleagues that Mr. and Mrs. Young will have every joy and happiness in "double harness." Mr. Kidley, on behalf of his colleagues, presented Mr. Young with a canteen of cutlery.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Smith we also offer congratulations on the birth of a daughter. Incidentally, this makes Mr. W. H. G. Young, sen., grandfather, a fact of which we know he is particularly proud.

Mr. F. Parham has had to lay off again with his old leg troubles, and it is the hope of all of us that he will soon be well and about again. Mr. Ernest Llewellyn has also had to be removed to Bridgwater Hospital

for an operation for appendicitis, and to him we wish all sympathy and a speedy recovery. Mrs. H. W. Neath, wife of a member of our curing staff, has also had to go to the same hospital, and to her we wish a quick return to normal health and strength, R.C.L.



The most notable feature of the month of April was the extraordinary number of "depressions" which were in evidence throughout. They seemed to come from all directions, and all we heard each evening was, "A depression centered over —— is moving—"!!!

Well, well! it's over now, and May has started with blue sky and sunshine, giving us hope that we are going to have real Coronation weather.

Our sick list is rapidly diminishing and the only outstanding cases at the moment are Mr. B. Grimsey (Slaughter), Mr. F. Dowsing (Piggeries), Mr. W. V. Eaton (Bacon), and Mr. P. Adamson (Bacon), whilst Mr. F. T. Smart is in hospital under observation for a short time. We hope very soon to welcome back these friends of ours restored to health and strength.

The Sports and Social Club is buzzing merrily, and "working parties" are doing things on the Sports Ground in the evenings all the signs and portents, in fact, of a busy summer season. Recently the Club offered a cup to be competed for at darts in individual competition. A very keen struggle followed, and ultimately Mr. W. Potkins (Cellar) emerged victorious, hotly pursued by the runner-up, Mr. F. Burton (Cellar). Mr. Ludgate, in presenting the cup and meda. to Mr. Potkins and medal to Mr. Burton, spoke of the sustained enthusiasm in the dart competitions, both for the "Ludgate" Cup and for the cup now given by the Club itself. Mr. Ludgate also presented a prize

(50 cigarettes) to Mr. D. Rands (Lard), who had put up the highest individual score—32 out of a possible 36—with one throw of three darts, during the competition.

When these lines are printed the Coronation will be over, and "the tumult and the shouting" will have died away, but just now all is hurry and bustle in preparation for the great event. Union Jacks are everywhere, and streamers, medallions, &c., in a thousand varieties adorn almost every shop and vehicle. Even the lorries bringing pigs to the Factory have gone gay, and I am quite expecting to see each pig waving a little flag before this week is out.

King George VI. will be crowned amid scenes of wonderful splendour and solemnity. His reign is commencing over an Empire united with a term of prosperity already started—the years of depression left behind—and with the hope that, by strong preparation for war, it may be possible to avoid war.

Let us then say "God save the King." May his reign be one of peace and prosperity, of public and private happiness, shared to the full by his Queen and their children.

A.H.M.



Leeds has opened its Sunshine Lido at Roundhay Park, and there is a noticeable alteration in the facial hue of the staff at this office already. Moreover, the Stadium in the natural Amphitheatre at Roundhay is all ready for the Northern Command Pageant, and City (so called) "Square" is being quickly transformed from its circular formation to the new oblong which is required to meet the traffic needs of the huge new Queen's Hotel when it opens in the autumn. We are also all well here, "alive and kicking," as it were, even if a little short of breath after digesting the reports from London of the hilarious "goings on "down under.

June should be the month of lightheartedness, and joie de vivre, lambs and children skipping in the sunshine, and "old salts" telling the old tales by the sea. Having passed the zenith of youth, and gained the ripeness of cheering experiences such as tax demand notes and bills for summer "rig-outs," we shall try to keep up the Coronation spirit by "telling stories" also.

We are told that Yorkshire stories made a great hit at the annual dinner in London of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce. One was the tale told by a Scotsman, and it was about a Scot and a Yorkshire man who were talking in a railway carriage. The man from north of the Tweed talked long and loud about what he and his country could do, until at last the Yorkshire man got exasperated.

"Tha's been oppening thi mouth wide," he said, "about what tha can do. Tha can do this and tha can do that. Now tell us summat tha can't do an ah'll do it for thee." But the Scot had the last word. "Weel," he replied, "Ah canna pay ma fare."

A good story was told relating to a Chapel in Leeds. The preacher read his sermon, and this profoundly annoyed a listener in a front pew. "That's a bit of Spurgeon," he would say in an audible whisper after one passage. "And that's a bit of Dr. Parker," he would say a few minutes later. The preacher was indignant. "I shall be much obliged," he said sternly, "if my friend will refrain from commenting on my sermon."

"Ah," observed the interrupter, unabashed, "That's a bit of his own at last."

A woman teacher of Leeds, who lives in a flat, has a dog as her only companion. When she is at school kindly neighbours keep a watchful eye on the animal and give it its meals. Often these meals are left by the teacher in a certain corner on the staircase.

Not long ago the neighbours saw a paper-bag in this hiding place, and were astonished to find that it contained a pork pie—something out of the ordinary for a dog's dinner.

The teacher had a surprise, too, both for herself and her colleagues, when she opened her own little lunch bag at school. It contained a choice assortment of "lights." Certainly a "light" meal.





SIXTEEN years ago our first annual Summer Show and Carnival was held in the Recreation Ground. Since then, successful shows have been held in the grounds of Castle House, by kind permission of the late Mr. H. G. Harris, and also at the Woodlands. Each show has attracted increasingly large attendances, and a few years ago a return was made to the Recreation Ground, which has again been booked for Saturday, August the 14th.

During this long period the weather has proved unkind on one occasion only, and it is to be hoped that a smiling sky will look down on the efforts of the Carnival and Flower Show Section of the H.W.A., as usual, when this year's show is held.

The Side-shows Department is creating and devising a number of original and effective competitions and schemes, to provide the gaiety and life which always make such a gay and happy atmosphere at this fixture.

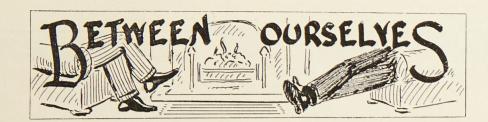
For the convenience of our readers we are printing the Schedule of Classes in the Flower, Fruit, Vegetable, Industrial, and Fur and Feather Sections, and we hope our enthusiasts will fill to overflowing the table space provided for their exhibits.

A sports programme has been arranged, which should receive a larger measure of support than has been the case during the last year or two.

In conclusion, a word of welcome to our friends elsewhere. As usual, representatives from our branches and associated companies will be present, and one of the most delightful events will be meeting our friends at this annual summer re-union.

We should like to wish Miss Bodinnar the very greatest happiness on the occasion of her marriage to Dr. Peter Lewis, which took place in Calne, on July 3rd.

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THE very good news which has reached me about the success which is attending the Cricket Section, and upon which I very heartily congratulate all concerned, reminds me that for a long time I have meant to express through this column a word of appreciation to the many voluntary helpers in all our Factories who are assisting in social activities. None of these people require expressed thanks. They have taken up their various jobs in connection with Welfare, Sports, the Drama, Our Magazine, &c., out of a desire to be of assistance to their friends who work with them. It is, however, fitting, I think, that an expression of gratitude on the part of all who benefit from such faithful service should be made.

For, after all, life is not merely lived for the benefit of the individual who enjoys his life. The fullest enjoyment is attained by service to others. In all our factories there are those who, year in and year out, are bearing this in mind.

They not only give loyal and faithful service in regard to their work, but spend much of their leisure in the same way. They have assisted, and are very largely responsible for, the happy social feelings that pervade our various and widespread organisations.

They act without hope of reward, and when, as for example in the case of the Cricket Section, outward success attends their efforts, we are all uncommonly glad.

There is, however, not only in our social activities, but in all organised efforts of every kind, a tendency to leave initiative and service to the few. Sometimes this is accompanied on the part of those who are being served, by undue criticism and "finicky" view points. My advice to all our social organisations is that they should adopt the well-proved practice of "putting a critic on a committee." May I appeal to all those who value social and human welfare to lend a hand by offering that hand to any of the organisations which have been set up in our factories for the benefit of all.

We are proud that in all our factories and offices and on the road we have sections that make up what so many have described as a happy family. It is, surely, up to each member of a family to give service as well as to receive it.



Coronation Celebrations at Watford.

ATFORD was to the fore in the London celebration by reason of the Official Programme being designed and printed in the town.

Watford had a full day of festivities, and never have the townspeople responded more whole-heartedly to an event.

The heavy rain on the preceding day may have caused many local people to alter their plans and to decide on joining in the town's celebration rather than risking the trip to London. And, no doubt, there were some who were scared off by the possibility of the London crowds being too great and the possible confusion owing to the 'bus strike. Anyhow, the Watford crowds were tremendous, and it is wonderful where all the people came from.

The day was dry, though cloudy, and except for a heavy shower in the afternoon, free from rain. The Town Council, the traders, and the private residents had carried out schemes of elaborate decoration; much use, more than ever before, being made of the electric lighting in private houses and in flood-lighting for the larger schemes.

The day opened with a procession through densely-crowded decorated streets to the Park. Never have so many people filled the streets when the procession passed, and those who afterwards made their way to Cassiobury Park constituted a record, and caused some overcrowding.

There were 200 entries in the procession, which took twenty-five minutes to pass. The first prize in the general class went, naturally, to the very elaborate Corporation Whitsun Carnival Queen car. Second prize to the Girl Guides, third to the Peace Hospital, with the Primrose League as runner-up.

The Hospital car was an effort to draw the attention of the large number of new residents to the immediate needs of the Hospital. It has become necessary, owing to the recent rapid growth of the town, to carry out a building extension at the cost of £70,000. The extension will be opened by the Duchess of Kent in October, but as yet barely half the £70,000 has been subscribed. So far the new residents and the new business

firms have not shown that interest in local affairs one would wish and expect. Indeed, immediately following on Coronation Day the Hospital affairs had a set back. Whit-Monday has, since the Hospital was opened, been used for gathering funds through a Carnival Fair, held in the Park, and this year's collection from the Fair showed a heavy drop as compared with last year. It is thought that on Whit-Monday many Watford people, having missed the London Coronation Day, went to London on the Monday to view the decorations. Also, I am afraid, that, in spite of Watford's immediate prosperity, the higher taxation and the higher rates, and the costs of the Coronation, will make people shy of supporting charities.

To return to the day. After the procession the attractions were in the Park, and included a fun fair, concert parties, clowns, dancing, bands, community singing, a children's festival, and a health and figure display, winding up with a grand display of fireworks.

So the great day passed, and leaves us more assured than ever that the Throne stands as a great rallying point for the people of the Empire. Here, in the Homeland, in hamlet, village, town, and city, there has been great rejoicing; and equally in the Dominions. Our free commonwealth of peoples of all races, colours, and creeds have been as one with us, and throughout this real League of Nations the Monarchial system is our strongest link in democratic government.

"God save the King."

R.E.H.

P.S.—As our Magazine should be a mirror of the times in which we live, a mention should be made of the London bus strike. This was started just before the Coronation. It has caused no sort of inconvenience to me, for I never use the bus in London, but the tubes; and if not the tubes a taxi. I have found that under modern transport conditions in the City and the West End, bus travel is much too slow. Since the strike we have seen much pleasanter conditions in London. Of course, to thousands of London's workers the strike has been a great inconvenience and cause of expense, for (and this specially applies to the new housing estates in the suburbs) from 7 a.m. to about 9.30 the travelling public coming into London have relied on the bus,

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and again from 5 to 6.30 p.m.; in fact, those hours which are known as the "rush hours." But between 9.30 a.m. and 5 p.m. City roads like Cheapside, London Bridge, and Ludgate Hill are chocked up with a continuous flow of buses which were not wanted at the time, and the presence of these huge monsters is a continual source of danger to other traffic and to pedestrians.

Perhaps as this is so very obvious something will be done.

Our French Feature.

LA LAITIERE ET LE POT AU LAIT

Perrette, sur sa tête ayant un pot au lait Bien posé sur un coussinet.

Prétendait arriver sans encombre à la ville, Légère et court vêtue, elle allait à grands pas, Ayant mis ce jour-la, pour être plus agile, Cotillon simple et souliers plats.

Notre laitière, ainsi troussée,

Comptait déjà dans sa pensée

Tout le prix de son lait, en employait l'argent, Achetait un cent d'oeufs, faisait triple couvée;

La chose allait à bien par son soin diligent.
"Il m'est," disait-elle, "facile

D'élever des poulets autour de ma maison; Le renard sera bien habile

S'il ne m'en laisse assez pour avoir un cochon. Le porc à s'engraisser coûtera peu de son;

Il était, quand je l'eus, de grosseur raisonnable;

J'aurai, le revendant, de l'argent bel et bon; Et qui m'empêchera de mettre en notre étable Vu le prix dont il est, une vache et son veau, Que je verrai sauter au milieu du troupeau? "Perrette, là-dessus, saute aussi, transportée... Le lait tombe; adieu veau, vache, cochon,

La dame de ces biens, quittant d'un oeil marri Sa fortune ainsi répandue,

Va s'excuser à son mari,

En grand danger d'être battue.

Le récit en farce en fut fait;

On l'appela le Pot au lait.

LA FONTAINE.

Inter-Departmental Football.

NCE again the Plume of Feathers was the venue chosen for the annual celebration supper. This time, in honour of the Warehouse, who had not enjoyed the privilege since they won the cup, the first three years it was put up for competition, several years ago.

Without question these inter-departmental matches are *the* chief attraction of any section of the H.W.A., and the keenness and enthusiasm which these games inspire is the reason why these suppers are so looked forward to. So it goes without saying that this one was another huge success.

Mr. A. Boase was in the chair, and I do not think he himself could have wished for a pleasanter task. Supper over, the loyal toast soon followed, and we were now just about fit for the excellent programme that had been prepared for us.

Mr. McLean (no party's really complete without him) soon put us in the right mood with "The Fleet's in Port Again," which, following the King's revue of the Fleet at Spithead the day before, was joined in with extra gusto.

The toast of the "President" was proposed by Mr. K. Haines, who emphasised the great interest shown by Mr. Bodinnar in the various activities of the H.W.A.

Mr. A. Boase was the next songster, singing his old favourite, "Poor Old Joe." One really cannot beat the "old 'uns."

With the aid of community song sheets we all joined in the fun with some rattling good songs.

The next toast was the "Winning Team," proposed by Mr. G. Dolman. He remarked on the excellent play put up by the Warehouse and the sportsmanship displayed by all the teams.

"Old King Cole and his Fiddlers" was the next song, being put over by Tommy Tucker, and helped, amid great laughter, by Basil Ponting, who also excelled himself by conducting the community singing.

Responding to the toast of the "Winning Team," Mr. R. Blackford, in a very nice speech, summed up their win in a nutshell when he said, "We had the young 'uns and the Kitchen the old 'uns."

Mr. Basil Ponting set us all a-laughing

with his song, "Gloves in my Hand and my Hat's on the Side of my Head."

Proposing the toast of the "Losing Team," Mr. R. Bailey praised the Kitchen for their hard game, and hoped if the cup had to go round, which really was the best thing, that they would win it.

We all joined in the chorus of Mr. McLean's next song, "There's a Lovely Lake in London." It's a lovely song, and we showed Mr. McLean our appreciation of his singing.

There was keen rivalry in claiming numbers from the community song sheet, but whatever was alighted upon they all went down well.

Mr. W. Angell replied to the "Losing Team" toast, and gave the Warehouse every credit for their fine win.

The theme of all the speeches was, "The young 'uns were too good for the old 'uns."

We were pleased to note the arrival later in the evening of another fine sportsman in Mr. Gerry Ashman.

Mr. Tom Clark, proposing the toast of "Host and Hostess," was pleased to have this opportunity of really expressing their utmost thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Cainey for their excellent catering, and here, too, a word of praise is due to Mr. A. Haines, who

saw to it that we had plenty of everything to eat. The "Artistes" were the next to be thanked, and then Mr. Clark touched on the merits of his team which, although ridiculed at first, had proved that his judgment, which had helped the Town Club to publicity a few years ago, was still all right.

During the evening the cup was filled by Mr. G. Ashman and Mr. A. Boase.

More songs were given by the artistes already named, and what with further community singing, you can just imagine the jolly time we were having.

Mr. G. Ashman was very pleased to propose a vote of thanks to our Chairman, and it was good to hear him say, "I'd give £10 to be able to play in one of these matches again." That just shows the enthusiasm stirred up by these matches.

And so, with everybody happy and contented, the evening was brought to a close at 10.30 p.m., with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" and the National Anthem.

S.T.

We won't become an A.1 nation by cheering our favourite football team. You will get more good in a swimming pool than in a football pool.—Sir George Tilley.

WAREHOUSE AND PRINTING FOOTBALL XI.



Winners of the "Bodinnar" Football Cup-Season 1937.

A Day with the St. John Ambulance Brigade at the Coronation of King George VI.

WAS surprised when I was informed in February that I had been selected by the County Commissioner to attend the Coronation. One officer, one sergeant, and 15 other ranks was Somerset's quota, and our local division felt honoured, seeing they were one of the youngest divisions, and

were supplying the sergeant.

On Tuesday, 11th May, at 2.30 p.m. I was on Paddington station. It was raining very hard, and, as no greatcoats were allowed, I thought I was in for a soaking. Shepherds Bush was the destination of my billet for the night. Going up the steps for Bish ps Road station, I was called to assist an elderly gentleman who had collapsed with heart trouble. I soon had him on his feet and off he went very grateful. At Shepherds Bush rain had ceased and after a few enquiries I soon found my billet. I had a brush up, tea, and then off to see the decorations and to reconnoitre. Quebec St., near the Marble Arch, was my objective, but I didn't get there. I went back to my billet for the night. The good lady there told me to get on the tube at Wood Lane and off at Marble Arch. At 6 o'clock, Coronation morning, I was at Wood Lane; of course, as usual, I was on the wrong platform. Up the steps and down on another platform, just in time to see the train running out. I thought this was a good start and wondered if I was going to be late on parade. After a few minutes another train managed to get in and I found a seat before arriving at Marble Arch. The train was absolutely packed, everybody smiling. A dear old lady with her old fashioned bonnet, trimmed with red. white and blue, was pushing her way through the coach selling rosettes. I wondered if this was the one we hear on the wireless, "In Town To-night," "Lovely sweet violets," her voice seemed familiar. At Marble Arch, Oh, what a crush! Up the moving staircase and out into the daylight. What a crowd of people sitting on boxes; others lying on the pavement covered with newspapers. Now for Quebec Street; ask a constable; "Sorry don't know, stranger like yourself," on again, ask another; he tells me to ask sergeant across the street. These policemen are wonderful. He directed me

to walk on until opposite Marble Arch Pavilion, Lyons Corner shop opposite, and that's it. Our unit was known as 72A Ambulance Station, a warehouse, about 50 yards from the road. I made my report on arrival to station officer, signed on at 6.55 a.m. Thank goodness, five minutes to spare. At 7 a.m. fall in the party, call the roll; all present. Inspection—buttons. belts, pouches, water bottles filled, haversack rations, &c.; report to officer, all present and correct. I then received instructions from the station officer as to duty, then off to draw stores at Selfridges in two L.C.C. motor ambulances attached to the station—stretchers, blankets, splints, pillows, first aid haversacks, &c., checked and signed for. Back to the station and prepared one side of the building for patients. Blankets, &c., on the floor about 4 feet apart. Nursing Sisters from Bedford and Essex arrive; also two Medical Officers. I was told we may go off in pairs for a cup of tea at Lyons, which was very acceptable.

We were soon busy. Our duty was to transport patients from the top of the street to the First-aid station, the patients being carried through the crowd by our men and police, who were on the line of route. We were very fortunate as the crowds there were not too great, only being allowed to line the pavement. The street below our station was boarded off and at 9 a.m. the doors were shut and no-one allowed in except uniformed men on duty. People were allowed out, but warned they would not be able to return. Heard great cheering; about 50 police marching down the route was the cause. Later on a policeman on a cycle rode by, and was cheered for miles I should think. I wonder what he thought about it? Everybody seemed happy and ready to cheer anything-having a bit of practice for later on. Now a band playing a good old Army March, "Colonel Bogey"; thought it must be a Guard's band, but found out it was a street band of unemployed ex-Service men, and they were the other side of the barrier. Police allowed two collectors to come inside and they did some trade. "Pennies from Heaven;" people from the windows above seemed to make the motor ambulances their objective. How they rattled on the tops of them. The "Nippies" from Lyons were now busy building up some boxes alongside the entrance for a stand, and later these collapsed, when about 50 were on

them. They didn't half scream, but luckily no casualties. Then a fellow tried to climb up to a parapet over a shop window. He was just about there when the letter H of the sign he was holding came away from the wall and down he came. Across the street a big stand was erected on the roof of the Marble Arch Pavilion, and our party was debating the best way to remove a stretcher case from there. Luckily we were not called upon to do so. Patients were still coming, and it seems as if it was infectious, as they came along in two's and three's. I suppose seeing one go under upset others who were not feeling O.K. These were mostly females between the ages of 17 and 30. Some revived before we got them away and returned; others were removed on stretchers to the station. All entering the station were entered in the casualty book—name, address, time admitted, time discharged, nature of injury, and remarks. Several were sent to St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, after being examined by the Medical Officers; others, after recovering, re-joined the crowd. One bright lass from Scotland was admitted to the station three times. The nursing sisters tried to persuade her to remain, but she was determined and said, "You dinna think I came from Scotland to see the Coronation and now going to miss it?" One burly policeman came through the crowd with a lass in his arms, "Here you are, sergeant, look after her. I am sure her mother hasn't got many like her to spare." After hours of waiting the procession came along, and, strange to say, we had a slack time, and were able to see most of it. What a sight,

The procession had nearly passed us when down came the rain. What a pity; and what a crush when the police allowed the crowd to move. Then we were busy again for a time, and about six o'clock the station officer decided to call it a day. Fall in, roll-call, all present! Station Officers thanked us all for the way we did our duties and informed us we had treated 67 cases in the station. Dismissed. All felt honoured and proud to have represented the county of Somerset at the Coronation of King George VI.

and what cheering! How well the horses

behaved. They must have been well trained,

and one really cannot describe it. But

those who did not see it have, no doubt, seen

it since on the screen.

An ambulance was just off with the last

case to hospital, and I got permission to travel with it, so was just in time to catch my last train at Paddington, arriving home about 10.30 p.m., very tired.

Nearly 10,000 cases were treated at the Ambulance stations, and thousands received

attention on the route.

W.H.G.Y.

* * * THE WATCH.

I had a dream. A Seer came to me and said, "Shall I show you a perfect Factory? It is a watch; the mainspring of which, and the pivot upon which it moves, are the owners and management. Controlled by these, all the wonderful little wheels and facets move. They *must* go the right way or the watch stops. If one drops out all the efforts of the mainspring will not keep the watch in time; just as without the mainspring the watch is useless."

May my dream come true, and our Factory emulate the well-oiled watch. One big family, each doing "its bit" to keep in running the master-mind until, like England, among the countries of the world, we are the envied and admired of all other Factories.

Calne, June, 1937.

The real cause of this parking trouble in London is, I think, due to laziness on the part of people who will not take the train. They think they must jump into their cars at their houses, and be carried straight to the doors of their offices.—Sir George Broadbridge, Lord Mayor of London.

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WHO IS IT?—No. 4.



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A Wayfarer's Note-Book.

STOCKHOLM.

THERE is a fascinating charm about Sweden; it is a country of lakes, rivers, and forests, while the capital, Stockholm, has a setting that is lovely and unique

The approach from the sea is through a long, winding channel, with forest-clad islands on either side. The port is large enough to accommodate several ocean liners at a time, but they have to anchor some distance from the landing-stage, and passengers are taken ashore in tenders or motor launches.

The city of Stockholm contains thirteen rocky islets, joined together and to the mainland by bridges, while the rest is mostly built on either side of Lake Mälaren. There is, probably, no capital in the world so cut up and intersected by waterways, and if you wish to get quickly from one place to another a water-taxi is often the best means of getting there; in fact, a small craft is almost as important to a Stockholmer as a motor-car is to many English folk.

The most impressive building in Stockholm is the modern Stadshuset, or City Hall, an immense wine-red building on the north bank of Lake Mälaren. From its tall tower there is a wonderful panorama of the city and surrounding country. In the building there are fine examples of sculpture and decoration by modern Swedish artists, while a wide marble staircase leads up to a tre-

mendous banqueting hall, where there are curious mural decorations illustrating the life of man from cradle to grave.

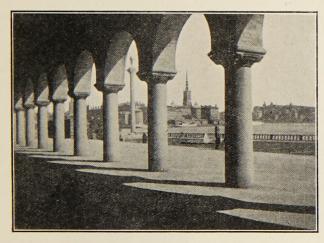
From the cloisters and the well-laid-out gardens of the City Hall, looking a short distance across the lake, there is one of the most interesting of the ancient churches of Stockholm, the Riddarholmskyrkan, which possesses a curious open-work metal spire. Here lie buried all the Swedish Monarchs since Gustavus Adolphus (1611-32), with the exception of Queen Christina, his successor, who, after a reign of about eleven years. abdicated, although still quite young, as was shown a year or two ago in the film of her life in which Queen Christina was played so splendidly by Greta Garbo, herself a native of Stockholm and at one time a sales girl there in a big department store.

Gustavus Adolphus, usually looked upon as the greatest of Swedish Monarchs, was a grandson of Gustavus Vasa, a heroic figure who, in 1560, rose from the level of a peasant and freed his country from the tyranny of Christian II. of Denmark, perpetrator of the "Stockholm Blood Bath," when nearly all the prominent members of the Swedish nobility, assembled for his Coronation, were massacred at the edge of the sword.

The Swedes are very fond of Opera, and (continued on page 139).



An attractive young Swede in National Dress. The building in the background is the Royal Palace.



Stockholm from the cloisters of the City Hall.

HARRIS WELFARE ASSOCIATION (CARNIVAL & FLOWER SHOW SECTION).

FRUIT AND VEGETABLE SHOW, 14th AUGUST, 1937, in the Recreation Ground, Calne.

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

- 1.—With the exception of Classes 52, 53, and 54, all competitiors must be members of the Carnival and Flower Show Section of the H.W.A.
- 2.—Competitors may enter as many Classes as desired. The Entrance Fee is 1/-, which permits 12 entries, and will entitle the Exhibitor to a lucky numbered ticket of admission; 2d. will be charged for every entry over 12. Schedule numbers, &c., must be adhered to. Only one entry in each class, and all Entry Forms accompanied by the Entrance Fee should be handed to the Hon. Secs. on or before the Thursday preceding the Show.
- 3.—All Exhibits to be the produce of Exhibitors' gardens or allotments (except Classes 53, 54, and 55), and must have been in their possession at least 28 days previous to the Show. Any Member may object to any entry during the afternoon, with a deposit of 2/6, which will be returned if the objection is upheld. The Competitor breaking this rule will be prohibited from exhibiting at any subsequent Show held under the auspices of the Section.
- 4.—All Exhibits to be staged by 2.45 p.m., and the tents closed to all except Judges and Officials at 3 p.m. Exhibits not to be cleared before 8 p.m.
- 5.—To facilitate display, length of green on vegetables must not exceed 7 inches. The Judges to be at liberty to taste or cut any exhibit and to withhold any prize if, in their opinion, the entries in any class do not warrant same. Points, as follows, will be awarded for Medal:—4 points for a 1st prize, 3 points for a 2nd, 2 points for a 3rd, and 1 point for a 4th.
- 6.—Entrance Forms may be obtained from the Hon. Sec., or any member of the Committee, and the latter do not hold themselves responsible for the loss or damage of any article during or after the Exhibition Prize money to be paid out from the Committee Tent at 8 p.m.

SCHEDULE.

| SECTION I. (FRUIT). | Class. 1st. 2nd. 3rd. 4th. |
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| Class. 1st. 2nd. 3rd. 4th. | 21.—12 Onions, stand or box 5/- 4/- 3/- 2/- |
| 1.—6 Apples (dessert), shown | 22.—Collection of Potatoes (4 |
| on a plate 4/- 3/- 2/- | varieties—2 K., 2 R., 6 |
| 2.—6 Apples (Cooking), shown | Potatoes of each), plates 6/- 4/6 3/- 2/- |
| | |
| | 23.—18 Broad or Long Pod |
| 3.—6 Plums, shown on a plate 4/- 3/- 2/- | Beans, dish 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| 4.—18 Gooseberries, shown on | 24.—Eschalots (24), stand or |
| plate 3/- 2/- 1/- | small box 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| 5.—Currants, any variety (not | 25.—3 Parsnips 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| less than alb.), shown on | 26.—3 Lettuce (cabbage or cos) 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| a plate 3/- 2/- 1/- | 27.—3 Cauliflower |
| 6.—Any variety of Fruit not | 28.—3 Sticks of Rhubarb 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| shown in Schedule, shown | 29.—Any variety of Vegetable |
| on a plate | not shown in Schedule 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| | |
| 7.—Loganberries, shown on a | 30.—6 Kidney Potatoes (white), |
| plate 3/- 2/- 1/- | plate 4/- 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| SECTION II. (VEGETABLES). | 31.—6 Kidney Potatoes (ex- |
| S.—Collection of Vegetables | cluding white), plate 4/- 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| (6 varieties), excluding | 32.—2 Sticks of Celery (red) 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| Tomatoes | 33.—2 Sticks of Celery (white) 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| 9.—Green Peas (18 pods) | 34.—9 Heaviest Potatoes 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| plate or dish 4/- 3/- 2/- | 35.—Heaviest Marrow 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| I | 36.—Dwarf Beans (18) 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| 10.—18 French Beans, plate or | 37.—Tomatoes (6) 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| dish | 07. 101111111111111111111111111111111111 |
| 11.—6 Carrots (long) 3/- 2/- 1/- | |
| 12.—6 Carrots (short) 3/- 2/- 1/- | SECTION III. (FLOWER). |
| 13.—6 Potatoes (round white), | |
| plate 4/- 3/- 2/- 1/- | Class. 1st. 2nd. 3rd. 4th. |
| 14.—6 Potatoes (round, exclud- | |
| ing White), plate 4/- 3/- 2/- | 38.—6 Bunches Cut Flowers |
| 15.—2 Vegetable Marrows | any variety, 6 varieties 4/- 3/- 2/- |
| (table) | 39.—6 Varieties of Sweet Peas |
| 16.—3 Cabbages (cooking) 3/- 2/- 1/- | (6 spikes of each—no |
| 17.—2 Cabbages (pickling) 3/- 2/- 1/- | foliage) 5/- 3/6 2/- 1/- |
| 19 6 Turning 2/ 2/ 1/ | 40.—Nosegay of Sweet Peas |
| 18.—6 Turnips | (with or without foliage) 4/- 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| 19.—3 Beetroot (long) 3/- 2/- 1/- | 41.—Nosegay of Garden Flowers 4/- 3/- 2/- |
| 20.—3 Beetroot (short) 3/- 2/- 1/- | 41. Trosegay of Garden Flowers 1/ 0/- 2/- |

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| Class. 42.—4 Bunches of Cut Flowers (perennials), 4 varieties | | Class. 52.—Nosegay of Wild Flowers (free for Children of Members only). All Exhibitors |
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| 43.—6 Spikes of Gladioli | . 3/6 2/6 1/6 | bers only). All Exhibitors to have Admission Tickets 4/- 3/- 2/- 1/- |
| 44.—Nosegay of Roses | | 53.—Table Decoration 10/- 7/6 5/- (Tables provided, size 5ft. |
| 45.—Four Bunches of Asters 4 varieties | | by 4ft. 6in. All decorations to be carried out by |
| 46.—4 Bunches of Stocks, 4 varieties | | Members or, if preferred, wife or daughter, and the entry to be in the name of |
| 47.—4 Bunches of Antirrhin- ums (4 varieties) | | the Exhibitor). Entrance Fee, 1/- which will entitle |
| 48.—Specimen Plant (foliage or flowering) | | the exhibitor to admission ticket. |
| 49.—Floral Design Miniature Rock Garden (not to | | 54.—Table Decoration, Wild Flowers only (Conditions as No. 53) |
| exceed 24in. x 18in.) | 10/- 6/- 4/- 2/- | 55.—Display of Garden and/or Wild Flowers of any or |
| 50.—3 Window Plants, foliage or flowering | | various varieties, to be arranged on a space 2yds. |
| 51.—6 Bunches Wild Flowers & Grasses (6 varieties) | | by 1yd |
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INDUSTRIAL SECTION.

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

- 1.—Each Exhibit must be the work and property of the Exhibitor, who must be a member of the Carnival and Flower Show Section of the H.W.A., or wife or mother of Member.
- 2.—Judging will be according to work and not material in Classes 10 to 22 inclusive.
- 3.—Only one exhibit in each Class allowed, and the Committee reserve the right to refuse any entry.
- 4.—All exhibits to be staged by 2.45 p.m. and the tent closed to all except Judges and Officials at 3 p.m.
- 5.—Entrance Forms may be obtained from the Hon. Secs. or any member of the Committee. The Entrance Fee and the Form should be handed to Mrs. Sewell, or the Hon. Secs., not later than Thursday, August 12th. The Entrance Fee is 4d. for each exhibit, but for three or more entries Exhibitors will be entitled to a lucky numbered ticket of admission.
- 6.—Exhibits not to be cleared before 8 p.m. The Committee do not hold themselves responsible for the damage or loss of any article.

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| SECTION IV. | | | | Class. | 1st. | 2nd. | 3rd. |
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| (A. Open to Lady Members of Car Show Section). | nival | and | Flower | 12.—Darned pair of Socks or Stockings | | | 1/- |
| Class. 1.—Jam, any variety 2.—Jelly 3.—Marmalade 4.—Sponge Sandwich (B. Open to Wives and Mothers of Carnival and Flower Sho | 4/- 4/- 4/- 4/- of Me | 3/- 3/- 3/- embers | 2/- 2/- 2/- 2/- 2/- s of the | 13.—Baby's Dress or Coat (knitted) 14.—Best article made from old garment 15.—Embroidery 16.—Pair of Knitted Socks, for men 17.—Knitted Jumper or Pullover. | 3/- 3/- 3/- 3/- | 2/- 2/- 2/- 2/- | 1/- 1/- 1/- 1/- |
| 5.—Jam, any variety | 4/- | 3/- | 2/- | for adult | | 2/- | 1/- |
| 6.—Jelly | 4/- | 3/- | 2/- | 19.—Any Article, in metal work | 3/- 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| 8.—Fruit Cake, ingredients | 4/- | 3/- | 2/- | 20.—Any Article, in woodwork | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| not to cost more than 1/6 9.—Dish of Cooked Potatoes | 4/- | 3/- | 2/- | 21.—Wool Rug | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| (twelve) | 3/- | 2/- | - 1/- | not included in above 4 Clas If more than six of a kind a | ses. | | |
| 10.—Hand-made Garment | 3/- | , | | Special Class will be in- | | | |
| 11.—Machine-made Garment | 3/- | 2/- | - 1/- | corporated | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |

FUR AND FEATHER SECTION.

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY.

1.—All Competitors must be members of the Carnival and Flower Show Section of the H.W.A. Class 18 is open to their children (no Entrance Fee).

2.—All exhibits, except Classes 19, 20, and 21, must have been in Exhibitor's possession for at least 28 days previous to the Show. Eggs must be from Member's own birds. Any Member may object to any entry during the afternoon with a deposit of 2s. 6d., which will be refunded if the objection is upheld.

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3.—All exhibits to be staged by 2.45 p.m. The tent will be closed to all except Judges and Officials at 3 p.m. Exhibits not to be cleared before 8 p.m., when prize-money will be paid from the Committee Tent.

4.—All Entry Forms, with the Entrance Fee, should be handed to the Hon. Secretary, or Mr. S. Rymer, before the Monday preceding the Show. Fourpence will be charged for each entry. Three or more entries will entitle Exhibitor to a lucky numbered ticket of admission. Entry Forms to be obtained of the Hon. Secretaries, Mr. S. J. Rymer, or any member of the Committee.

5.—Avoidance of ill-treatment of Exhibits must be carefully observed, and the handling of the same is strictly forbidden except by authorised persons.

6.—The Committee do not hold themselves responsible for the loss or damage of any exhibit during or after the Exhibition.

SCHEDULE.

| Class. | 1 st | 2nd | 3vd | Class | 1.04 | 2001 | 21 |
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| 1.—Heavy Breeds, Male Bird | | 2114. | | Class. 11.—Pigeons, Fancy Bird, Male | | | |
| of any variety (adult) | | 3/- | | 12.—Pigeons, Ditto, Female | 3/- | | 1/- |
| 2.—Heavy Breeds, Male Bird, | 0/ | 0/ | 2/ | | 3/- | | 1/- |
| of any variety (bred 1937) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | 13.—Pigeons, Homers, Male | 3/- | , | 1/- |
| | 0/- | 0/- | 2/- | 14.—Pigeons, Ditto, Female | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| 3.—Heavy Breeds, Female Bird, | ~ , | 0.1 | 0.1 | 15.—Cage Bird of any description | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| of any variety (adult) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | 16.—Table Bird (dead), bred 1937 | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| 4.—Heavy Breeds, Female Bird | | 0.1 | 0.1 | 17.—Rabbit, any description | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| of any variety (bred 1937) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | 19 Children's Det of any des | | | |
| 5.—Light Breeds, Male bird of | | | | cription (age of Child, 14 | | | |
| any variety (Adult) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | years or under). Special | | | |
| 6.—Light Breeds, Male bird of | | | | prize given for the most | | | |
| any variety (bred 1937) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | attractive Exhibit | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- |
| 7.—Light Breeds, Female bird of | , | | , | 19.—Any exhibit by wife of | | | |
| any variety (adult) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | member | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- |
| 8.—Light Breeds, Female bird of | 0/ | 0 | -/ | *20.—Eggs, plate of 6 (brown) | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- |
| any variety (bred 1937) | 5/- | 3/- | 2/- | *21.—Eggs, plate of 6 (white) | | | 1/- |
| | 0/- | 0;- | 2/- | *Must be from Member's own birds | | | |
| 9.—Bantams, Male or Female | 2/ | 01 | 1/ | A SILVER SPOON (present | | | |
| of any variety | | | 1/- | Petherick, Esq.) will be awarde | | the | Best |
| 10.—Duck or Drake of any variety | 3/- | 2/- | 1/- | Bird in Classes 1—8. | | | |
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A WAYFARER'S NOTE-BOOK.

(continued from page 136.)

there is a fine Royal Opera House in this city, which saw the birth of one of the world's greatest prima donnas, Jenny Lind.

There is an innate cleanliness and tidiness about Stockholm. There are no signs of beggary or of filth and squalor to mar this delectable capital, and the shops and department stores compare favourably with our own in London.

One can hardly leave Stockholm without mentioning what is one of its most attractive features, that is the beauty of its women. Never has it been my good fortune to see so many, lovely and unadorned, as in this delightful Swedish city.

WAYFARER.

Wedding Bells.

At Devizes, on May 8th, Miss Irene Merritt was married to Mr. Richard Diamond, of Devizes. The bride was dressed in a crushed strawberry crepe suede dress, plain navy blue straw hat, lizard skin shoes, and flesh-coloured stockings. Miss Merritt was over nine years in the Retort Department and was presented with a fern stand.

At Chippenham, on May 15th, Miss Vera Pinnigar was married to Mr. Norman Whittaker, of Chippenham. The bride was dressed in a green two-piece suit, beige hat, and gloves, green suede shoes, and stockings to match. Miss Pinnigar was three years in the Box Department, and was presented with an oval mirror from her colleagues and haberdashery from her girl friends.

THE BROAD HICHWAY.

At the time these notes appear the holiday season will be approaching. The end of May and the beginning of June have given us a foretaste of what we hope is going to be a fair specimen of the weather throughout the summer of 1937. There appear to be prospects that the holiday season will be prolonged rather more than usual this year in view of the extra holiday earlier in the year, which will mean that many will go away later. We hope that all our friends on the road will have an enjoyable time and obtain real benefit from their rest. We shall be very glad to have any notes for publication on this page, as there will sure to be special experiences of interest to others occurring while away on holiday.

All the seaside resorts are preparing for a bumper season, and if only the weather is kind there should be every reason why their preparations should not be in vain. There is certainly a much greater feeling of confidence in the general business outlook than was the case two years ago. As far as our own business is concerned, we shall feel happier when we know just what is going to be the Government's long term policy in relation to the Bacon Industry.

We are sorry to say that Mr. K. M. McLeod, our representative in the North of Scotland, has been ordered to take a complete rest for a few months owing to ill health. Mr. McLeod will have the very best wishes of everyone for a rapid improvement in his health and a speedy return to his normal activities.

Van-Salesman C. E. Thomas has taken over Cardiff Van 8, and Van-Salesman C. Davies has been appointed to Cardiff Van 54.

We sympathise with Van-Salesman A. J. Wellsted, who sustained a nasty motor-cycle accident on Whit-Monday. We are glad to

say, however, that he made good progress and has now been able to resume duties.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bunting, of Kingston, have experienced much anxiety with regard to their little daughter, who has been under special observation at the local hospital. We sympathise very much with them and hope that their anxiety will shortly be brought to a happy conclusion.

It is interesting to record that business was secured by our Representatives in Southampton for various goods for supply to the Basque children camped in the neighbourhood.

I.H.G.

THE "GAS" PROBLEM.

Your correspondent, "Q.E.D.," must have received a "shock" at some time or other—perhaps in early infancy. At any rate, something is "short-circuited" somewhere, and, believe me, he'll end his days in a "Ohm"—one of those "Ohm Sweet Ohms." He says 3 is the answer. "Watts" he know about it?

(Now, "Q.E.D.," take that sum into the corner and work it out again. You have been studying Gastronomy too much).

Never mind, with all his "Volts" I love him still—if he will only "Tri Gas-t'us"... a good deep breathful.

Q.E.F.

Charles Darwin relates that when he took a basket holding snakes into a monkey's cage, curiosity brought the animals down to raise the lid. They fled away, screaming and chattering. But one after another crept back to have another peep, and another thrill. They liked being frightened.—Sir Peter Chalmers Mitchell.





The weather has been very good so far and we have been able to play practically every night. The increase of members shown at the beginning of June is very encouraging, and we are hoping that if every member will go all out to improve their tennis, even if we are unable to field two strong teams this year, we can look forward to next year with much more confidence.

We just want to say a word to beginners. Don't get disheartened with your early mistakes. So long as you have the enthusiasm and incentive to play tennis those mistakes, which we older ones also made when we started, will soon be conquered and you will be on the right road to getting into the teams, which really should be every member's aim.

Below is a brief summary of the matches played so far this season.

1st TEAM.

Our first match was with Chippenham Town, at home. Although we lost by 4 events to 5, there was really little between the two teams, as in four events the third set had to decide it. Miss F. Angell and W. Penny won 2, lost 1. Miss M. Angell and H. Watson won 1, lost 2. Miss K. Angell and N. Potter won 1, lost 2.

Playing at Swindon against the G.W.R., we won by 6 events to 3. This club is able to field several teams and, no doubt, had we met their first team the score sheet would have looked somewhat different. Nevertheless, we had some good tennis, and they made us fight for it, one set going to 10-8, two to 8-6, and two others to 7-5.

Miss F. Angell and A. Dixon, Mrs. I. J. Taylor and J. Bull, and Miss M. Angell and H. Watson all won two events and lost one.

Our first mid-week match was with the Town Club, at the Woodlands. This match proved very enjoyable, the Town running out winners by 5 events to 4. This is about the first time they have ever beaten us.

Miss F. Angell and J. Bull won 3—0. Miss S. McLean and S. Toogood won 1, lost 2; and although Miss M. Angell and H. Watson lost 3—0, several of the sets were decided on the very last point.

At home to Holt we won 6 events to 3. One of their couples were very good and defeated all our team in turn. Miss F. Angell and A. Dixon, Miss M. Angell and S. Toogood, and Miss O. Wallis and H. Watson each won 2 and lost 1.

We met with a heavy defeat at Okus, Swindon, losing by 1 event to 8. This team was too good for us last year and we hope they will give us a fixture next season as we all like to play against good players, as it is only by these means that we can improve our play. Although we had to play against a county player, we could not teach him anything, but we hope we have managed to pick up a point or two from him. Miss M. Angell and H. Watson were the only couple to win an event; Miss F. Angell and A. Dixon and Mrs. I. J. Taylor and S. Toogood losing all three.

2nd TEAM.

The first match was with G.W.R., Swindon, at home, which we won 6—3, Miss M. McLean and N. Potter, Miss S. McLean and W. Penny, and Miss O. Wallis and R. Stevens all winning two events and losing one.

As with the first team we, too, could not come up to the Okus, Swindon, standard, going down by losing all nine events. The team being Miss M. McLean and W. Penny, Miss S. McLean and R. Stevens, Miss G. Cleverley and K. Rutty. Just one crumb of consolation—four events went to three sets.

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1st XI.

Playing at Savernake on May 5th, we brought off our third consecutive win. Savernake batted first and, after a good second wicket stand of 43, were out for the moderate total of 85. E. Witchell 3 for 11. R. Stevens 3 for 15, R. Swaffield 1 for 1, B. Gough 1 for 8, I. J. Taylor 1 for 19, and P. Carter 1 for 20 were our successful bowlers. Victory was assured by our opening batsmen, R. Swaffield and K. Haines, who compiled a splendid 55 before being separated. Of these Haines had made 25 when he lost his wicket. Swaffield went on to see the century on the board, and when he left at 106 63 runs had been made from his bat. At the call of time 119 runs for 6 wickets had been registered. Scorers:-

Savernake 1st XI.—95.

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| R. Swaffield c Jennings b Remington | 63 |
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| K. Haines b Lansley | 25 |
| B. Gough lbw b Lansley | 0 |
| R. Stevens st Rossiter b Lansley | 9 |
| A. Bennett not out | 11 |
| J. Bromham b Eggleton | 1 |
| P. Carter b Remington | 4 |
| Extras | 6 |
| | |
| | 110 |

A. Sutton, E. Witchell, R. B. Swaffield, and I. J. Taylor did not bat.

Again a splendid start was given our team by our opening pair of batsmen-R. Swaffield and K. Haines—on May 22nd. when we entertained Warminster 1st XI., at Lickhill. A stand of 62 laid the foundation of a good score, and at the interval we had made 175 runs. R. Swaffield again excelled with the bat and another 60 was placed to his credit. A. Sutton, K. Haines, I. J. Taylor, P. Carter made helpful contributions. Our opponents were too strong to secure a win against, but we obtained the best of a draw. Our bowlers were handicapped by the wet ball, and of eight bowlers tried only four were successful, these being B. Gough 1 for 4, E. Witchell 1 for 10, R. Stevens 1 for 18, and R. Swaffield 1 for 25. Scorers:-

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| R. Swaffield b Hill | 60 |
|-----------------------------------|-----|
| K. Haines c Maidment b Muggles- | |
| worth | 20 |
| A. Bennett b Mugglesworth | 11 |
| B. Gough lbw b Hill | 0 |
| R. Stevens b Mugglesworth | 10 |
| J. Bromham c Miles b Mugglesworth | 0 |
| P. Carter b Hill | 15 |
| A. Sutton c Everett b Hill | 21 |
| J. Wiltshire b Hill | 0 |
| E. Witchell c Sharp b Hill | 6 |
| I. J. Taylor not out | 19 |
| Extras | 13 |
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| | 175 |

Warminster 1st XI.—104 for 5 wickets.

The return match with Warminster was played on May 29th, and again a draw was the result. Batting first, after a disastrous start, a wicket falling without any score, we eventually secured 183, thanks to a splendid effort by R. Stevens, whose 47 included two six's; a painstaking 36 by A. Bennett (he was at the wicket while 110 runs were being made); P. Carter 20, and E. Witchell 17 not out. Warminster responded without any enterprise and in an hour and a quarter only 41 runs had been made. One of their opening batsmen made 5 runs during this time. He was eventually out to a brilliant throw in by Stevens. With five wickets down for 41 an easy win looked likely, but resistance was made for the sixth wicket, which fell at 110. Had this partnership been broken with the catch which was not accepted, a win would have been probable. The last over came at 7.30 p.m., when the score was 121 for seven, leaving us again with a moral victory. Scorers:

HARRIS C.C.

| R. Swaffield b Hill | 12 |
|------------------------------|----|
| K. Haines b Hill | 0 |
| A. Bennett b Smith | 36 |
| R. Stevens c Nepean b Lovett | 47 |
| P. Carter c Maidment b Mason | 20 |
| J. Wiltshire b Hill | 13 |
| S. L. Drewell c and b Mason | 6 |
| F. Cleverley c Mason b Hill | 11 |
| E. Witchell not out | 17 |
| W Butler c and b Hill | 0 |
| R. B. Swaffield b Mason | 2 |
| Extras | 19 |
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Warminster 1st XI.—121 for 7 wickets. Bowling:—R. Stevens 2 wickets for 9 runs; P. Carter 2 for 48; E. Witchell 1 for 12. Two men were run out.

Apropos to the above match at Warminster, it is interesting to note that a Wiltshire newspaper, in commenting on the game, stated that Warminster lost a race against the clock. What a race when one notes that one of their opening batsmen took 75 minutes to score seven runs. I should say that they won the race—a slow-scoring one. A rather complimentary opinion of our club and cricket came our way recently. It is usual for this Wiltshire paper, before mentioned, to include in its cricket edition an Honours List of good performances in local cricket. Seeing that members of our club have been making good scores which should be placed well up on the Honours List, but were not included, we mentioned the fact to the Sporting Editor. He very kindly telephoned to say that the reason for the omission was that the Honours List was intended for local teams, and not for senior clubs such as Bath and Swindon (verb. sap.)

June 5th, v. Old Colstonians, at Lickhill.

Our unbeaten record was maintained when we encountered our old friends from Bristol. The meetings between us generally bring forward some interesting cricket, and occasionally surprises. We, at one time, thought the surprise was coming on this occasion when, after making 52 for two wickets, we had seven down for 68, and all out for 90. However, I. J. Taylor and P. Carter rose to the emergency and performed their best bowling efforts of the season. Two wickets for 24 looked as if our opponents were taking the game with them in their stride, but this debacle soon appeared three wickets fell with the score at 29, and the last four fell with the score at 36—three with three successive balls (two to Taylor and one to Carter). Taylor secured five wickets for 8 runs and Carter five for 24. It will be noticed from the score that we were again indebted to R. Swaffield for the main contribution to our total. He was second out when the score was 52, and in his 31 there were six fours. K. Haines and S. L. Drewell also reached double figures. Scores:

R. Swaffield b A. Treeby. 31 K. Haines c Weare b A Treeby. 13 A. Bennett run out. 5 R. Stevens b A. Treeby. 0 P. Carter c W. Treeby b Vile. 9 B. Gough not out. 9 J. Archard b A. Treeby. 0 A. Sutton b A. Treeby. 0 S. Drewell c W. Treeby b Coates. 10

E. Witchell b A. Treeby..... 0

I. J. Taylor c W. Treeby b Coates... 5

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HARRIS C.C.

Old Colstonians-36.

2nd XI.

The 2nd XI. opened the season's programme on May 15th with a match versus Seagry, and lost the game by the narrow margin of two runs. Batting first, Seagry made 63, after being four wickets down for 17. G. Dean bowled well in securing five wickets for 16. G. Witchell 3 for 20 and S. Sandford 1 for 24 ably assisted the attack. It was a pleasure to once again see Sandford on the cricket field, and he signalised his return by hitting a beautiful six. A very good start was given our side by G. Witchell (18) and W. Smith (14). Forty-one for two wickets seemed to augur a victory, but a long tail showed itself, as will be apparent when we state that four players made 52 of the 61 runs. H. Flav 12 and S. Sandford 8 were the other two players who made any pretence at scoring.

On May 19th an evening match was played versus Calne Wednesday. In compiling 91, the brothers Witchell were the only batsmen to make double figures—E. Witchell 45 and G. Witchell 13. Essaying the task of making 92, the Town team lost a wicket at 10, but that was their only loss, and the game ended in 96 being scored for the one wicket taken by G. Witchell.

Lowden was visited on May 22nd, and again a batting failure brought about defeat. Of 41 runs W. Arkell (16) was the only player to reach double figures, and Lowden had no difficulty in scoring the necessary number of runs for victory, which they did for the loss of four wickets. G. Witchell two for 31, G. Dean one for 10, and W. Arkell one for 15 were our bowlers.

Playing at home on May 29th, another severe defeat was experienced. Mainly through the help of G. Witchell (29), H. Flay (19 not out), W. Arkell (11), and G. Dean (11), our total reached 94. This total was well within the capabilities of the Marlborough Camp Club, of Swindon, and before stumps were drawn they had scored 143 for two wickets, and W. Arkell secured these at a cost of 45 runs.

Another evening match was played on June 2nd, our opponents being the Bentley School. Time alone saved the School from defeat, for replying to a total of 118 by the Club, the School made 64 for eight wickets. Our double-figure scorers were E. Witchell (26), W. King (20 not out), J. Wiltshire (11), and G. Witchell (11), and bowling honours were captured by G. Witchell (two wickets for 12), E. Witchell (two for 16), and J. Wiltshire (two for 24).

It is pleasing to report that the 2nd XI. are having little difficulty in getting players this year, and as they are a young team, and also consist of quite a number of new players, it will naturally take a little time for them to settle down, and therefore must not be in any way downhearted by their defeats, but it is hoped that they have now turned the corner and will soon record the first win.

The 2nd XI. scored their first win when they played Spye Park on June 5th, on the latter's ground. Batting first, Spye Park made 75, thanks to an invaluable stand of 38 for the last wicket. G. Witchell 4 for 23, G. Dean 3 for 9, and B. Webb 3 for 37 were our bowlers. Contrary to the usual experience, it was our tail that wagged and brought about victory. Our opening batsmen failed, for five wickets were down for 15, but B Flay 17, G. Witchell 15, G. Dean 15, E. Wiltshire not out 11, and W. King 11 all made helpful scores, which brought our total to 92 and a win by 17 runs.

When I see a beautiful young woman walking into a restaurant, perfectly dressed, but with a cigarette in her mouth, it is not that I object to her smoking, but I do think that in such circumstances it detracts from her appearance and her good taste.—Sir Walter Gilbey.

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Friends Elsewhere.



CHIPPENHAM CELEBRATIONS OF THE CROWNING OF KING GEORGE VI.
AND QUEEN ELIZABETH.

To the delight of all Coronation Day broke fine in Chippenham, and the day was ushered in by merry peals on the bells of the parish and St. Paul's Churches.

The opening event of the day was a service, held in the Market Place, at 9.45 a.m. A large gathering assembled including the Mayor and Corporation, the local company of the Territorials, the British Legion, and the South African Veterans. The singing was accompanied by the Salvation Army and British Legion bands, support being given by all the clergy and ministers.

Many and varied were the attractions for the remainder of the day, everyone, whether young or old, being able to find something for their enjoyment.

During the afternoon the "old people" were entertained to tea and a concert in the Neeld Hall, organised by the Toc H.

The children were provided with teas at their different Sunday-schools, and altogether 1,000 children were catered for, the Mayor and Mayoress visiting each party and distributing Coronation mugs.

A programme of athletic sports, including juvenile events, races, and cycle races, took place in John Cole's Park. Dog racing also proved to be popular. There was also a six-a-side football tournament, cricket match, bowls and tennis tournaments, boxing and military display of guard mounting, and a display of folk dancing, and physical training by the pupils of the elementary schools was an attractive event.

Evening came far too soon, and at

eight p.m. a large crowd gathered round the bandstand in the Park to listen to a relay of His Majesty's speech. After this the crowd made their way to the large open space at the other end of the town, which is locally known as Englands, where a firework display was given and a huge bonfire lit by the Mayoress. A carnival dance, in the Neeld Hall, concluded the festivities of the day.

On Friday a public dinner was held in the Neeld Hall, and during the remainder of the week teas were also organised by various bodies of people for the children in the different localities of the town.

A pleasing feature of the celebrations was the elaborate scheme of decorations which extended through the main thoroughfare of the town. From poles erected on each side of the streets hung garlands of red, white, and blue, and over the pavements streamers of the same colour, with Union Jacks and coats of arms. The scheme was carried out under the sanction of the Corporation. Flood lighting was carried out over our ancient Town Bridge, and the effect of this on the River Avon and the small islands in this part of the river created a fairy-like scene which attracted many onlookers at dark.

Chippenham in every respect rose to the occasion, and there is no doubt that May 12th, 1937, will be long remembered by all who joined in the festivities.

We offer to Mr. J. Cleall our condolences in the bereavement he has sustained in the loss of his mother.

Congratulations to Mr. A. Hawkins, who is now the proud father of a daughter.



Those who were fortunate enough to witness the superb spectacle of the Naval Review at Spithead on May 20th will never forget the sight of 138 British warships and 17 foreign ships assembled, when the King and Queen reviewed the Fleet.

The whole display has probably never been equalled. When the six mile sail had ended and the Royal Yacht had been buoyed, over 100 fighting planes of the Fleet Air Arm paid their homage, dipped in salute, and roared away. The Fleet illuminations. as a climax to a day of thrills, were wonderful in their brilliance, and the firework display exceeded all imagination. To obtain a view of the events, one found it difficult to move through the mass of people assembled at Southsea. We may mention that some of our Staff had great difficulty in leaving the scene of action, and found that such a crowd had not a very good effect on their constitution. All agreed, however, that it was a sight well worth any discomfort to see.

We have been interested in the preparation and formation of the camp for the 4,000 Basque refugee children at Stoneham, on the outskirts of Eastleigh.

This camp is situated in a 15-acre field which, at this time of the year, looks delightfully green and refreshing, and has been arranged as a temporary measure until the children can be drafted to various centres.

British people generally, whatever their political opinion may be, will rejoice in this work of charity which has removed the children from the scene of the horrors of war to the restful surroundings of our English countryside.

This humanitarian organisation deserves the fullest support of all our people.



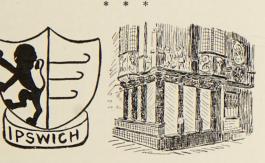
For those who are nature lovers here is a note which may be of interest, for it is something quite unique in the experience of the writer.

A pair of mistle thrushes decided to make their home in my garden, and selected for the site an apple tree which is only a few yards from my back door; but these must Heritag igitised by

have been very particular mistle thrushes, or else they had become imbued with the spirit of Coronation, for they had ideas about the materials for their nest! It happened that at the time I had a lot of white arabis in flower, and some of my borders were well stocked with pink pinks just coming into flower, and my visitors decided that their nest should be made of this. I am so sorry I had no blue flowers to offer them to complete the scheme! Busily working away, they soon stripped sufficient of my flowers to make their nest, and there it is to-day in the fork of the apple tree, with a proud mother sitting in a bower of arabis and pinks.

I wonder, Mr. Editor, whether any of your readers have ever known birds to make their nest completely of living flowers? I only wish that it had been possible to photograph the nest, for I am sure that it must be guite unique; but not even the claims of posterity would have induced me to do anything to frighten away these very welcome and dainty little strangers.

A.G.K.



May has sped, the Coronation decorations are taken down, and there remain but the unforgettable memories of the pomp and pageantry of that wonderful week. These apart, there is but little to record for Ipswich in the way of May happenings.

A notable event occurred on June 2nd, however, when Mr. Bodinnar visited Ipswich, and addressed the factory staff. Simply and sincerely he told them somewhat of the chain of events which had produced the present situation in the bacon-curing industry; of the problems and difficulties which had to be faced by those charged with the responsibilities of leadership; of the financial losses incurred, and still happening. Under such circumstances, in which, despite the ever-growing national prosperity, our own particular industry was labouring under a

heavy burden, the Company, he said, could present a very convincing case against any increase of wages-indeed, they might well seek to reduce them.

Thinking some few months ago of all these things, the Directors had determined, if it were at all possible, to find some way not to reduce, but to increase wages, and this they had done.

Mr. Ludgate, in his remarks, voiced the opinion of all who were present in thanks for what had that day been done, and he hoped, he said, and indeed firmly believed, that everyone would strive in return to give of their best and so help to restore prosperity to our industry.

Speaking of himself as "just a link" in the chain formed by those who serve the House of Harris, Mr. Ludgate referred to the pride he felt in so serving, a pride in which all those at the Ipswich branch might share. Listening, he said, to what Mr. Bodinnar had just told us, and appreciating to the full all that the Company had done in increasing wages, in addition to all those other things such as efficiency bonus, holidays, &c., he could not help, on our behalf and his own, expressing our loyalty to and pride in our Chief, whose thought and care for us all were so abundantly manifested.

Mr. Bodinnar had vet another announcement to make anent the Sports and Social Club. Mr. Secretary Storey and his committee, he said, had been on the war-path again. This time, if you please, they wanted a motor-mower for their sports field, but, not having the wherewithal, they sought a

After consideration Mr. Bodinnar gave the Club its choice of :—A—Obtaining a small machine, for which the Company would pay and present to the Club. B-Getting a larger and better machine at twice the price of A, when the Company would pay half and lend the Club the other half free of interest, and with a long term re-payment. On behalf of the Club Mr. Storey accepted the second offer (B), and expressed the gratitude that they all felt at this further instance of Mr. Bodinnar's great generosity and interest in the Club's welfare. (N.B.—Elsewhere in this issue will be found an account of this matter, and some news of the Club's doings).

Other members of the staff, both male and female, voiced their appreciation of all that the Company had done in matters appertaining to work and to the sports and social activities, and the meeting closed with three very real and hearty cheers, spontaneously given.

With the advent of summer skies our sick list dwindles rapidly. Mr. W. Eaton. Bacon Department, has again gone into the hospital for treatment, and Mr. B. Grimsey. Slaughter Department, is awaiting a bed in the same institution. Miss D. Moss. Lard Department, and Miss E. Page, Slaughter Department, are away at the moment, but we hope soon to see all these friends of ours back, restored to health.

Mr. W. B. Friggens, who in the few months he has been at Ipswich has won our respect and esteem, has been officially appointed here and will shortly be setting up house in Ipswich. We all hope that both Mr. and Mrs. Friggens will be happy here in East Anglia and will form new friendships and interests to compensate them for their severance from the "Royal Duchy."

A.H.M.

THE HARRIS (IPSWICH) SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

The season having commenced, all was activity at our sports gound. There was plenty of work to be done, and hard as the enthusiasts worked it was found the need for better equipment was essential to improve playing conditions and to maintain the interests of the members.

It was generally felt that a motormower was needed at the ground, and it was then the Committee approached Mr. Bodinnar for assistance to purchase such a mower. Mr. Bodinnar, replying to our request with great understanding, very generously offered to purchase a suitable mower for us, promising to defray half the cost, leaving us only the other half to pay, over a period of five years, and that amount to be free of interest.

To Mr. Bodinnar we are very grateful for having yet again given us help at a time when we most urgently needed it. I am pleased to be able to state that the generosity has been responded to by the members, last week being the record one for the number of attendances at the ground.

One item of interest at the ground was

the Inter-Departmental Cricket match, which took place last Thursday evening. The Maintenance Department had the "cheek" to challenge the rest of the factory, and were promptly accepted and promised a "jolly good hiding." We were beaten, but not disgraced, as the scores will show, and it was pleasing to find new talent amongst the untried, the speciality of the evening being the performance of S. Bloomfield, of the Maintenance Department, who took eight wickets for 9 runs.

It was agreed that a most enjoyable evening was spent, the result being that Inter-Departmental Cricket matches have come to stay, and to be a weekly fixture. This week's match is between Slaughter House and Maintenance Department, the report of which we hope to publish in next month's issue.

L.S. (Hon. Sec.)

FACTORY XI. S. Bowman c F. Bloomfield b S. Bloomfield...... 3 F. Burton c S. Bloomfield b F. Bloomfield...... 14 F. Flory c L. Storey b S. Bloomfield 1 R. Mayhew b S. Bloomfield 1 S. Offord b S. Bloomfield 0 A. Spillings b S. Bloomfield 0 C. Pugh b S. Bloomfield..... 2 H Scott run out H. Leggett c F. Bloomfield b S. Bloomfield..... 10 K. Seaman not out...... 1 Extras 4 47 MAINTENANCE XI. P. Green b Bowman 4 L. Storey lbw b Burton 14 F. Bloomfield c Scott b Offord 5

J. Lait c Shipsey b Mayhew E. Mallett c Burton b Offord...... S. Bloomfield b Mayhew..... 1 A. Mackenzie run out..... 0 G. Staff not out 0 H. Baker b Offord

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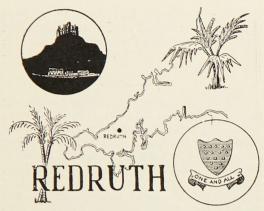


Spring, and even summer, have already arrived in the north, although, at the moment. we hear of storm and flood ravaging more southern areas. This causes me to remind readers who take holidays early that Lakeland and Scotland are delightful from Easter to the end of June, which is usually the dry period thereabouts. When in Scotland at Whitsuutide, I saw the sprinklers in action upon tennis and bowling greens, and I heard of places which had had no rain of any consequence for a month or two. The Hebridean island of Lewis actually reported records of ten hours sunshine daily. Listen to this: "There are numerous fresh-water lochs in the island, but following a long, dry spell there is a shortage of water. One doctor finds difficulty in getting water for dispensing medicine, and most people are still dependent on wells, which dry up very rapidly. They cannot supply the demand."

On Coronation Day it was gloriously fine in Ulster and parts of Scotland. So do not grumble at early holidays if you wish to see spring beauty in all its loveliness to perfection, when this treat is at your door.

We did not visit London on Coronation Day, but can assure you that in this area we celebrated in water. It was a sorry business handling hosts of little children in parks, &c., but it is worth recording that the rain failed to damp the joy and gladness expressed in numberless open-air functions. It is also worthy of note that one of the most effective and beautiful decorative schemes was the display in George Square, Glasgow; while probably one of the disappointing ones was in City Square, Leeds, which is in chaos with building operations and road excavations. We provincials must have contributed to the London crowds because for weeks afterwards tradespeople were complaining of slow sales and general "hard-upness."

I have found happiness in England.—RICHARD TAUBER.



During the past week or two the first windjammers have been arriving at Falmouth in the annual grain race. The first to arrive, the "Braham Rydeberg," came by way of the Cape of Good Hope, and took 112 days from Port Victoria. The second, the "Passat," took 94 days, and came via Cape Horn—she carried nearly 5,000 tons of grain. These vessels, when in full sail, are a really wonderful sight—the last of the sailing ships.

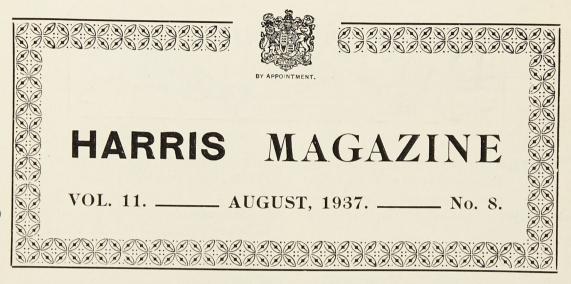
Another sign of the increasing popularity of Cornwall has been shown when it was announced that the G.W.R. Company are proposing to erect a new hotel, at a cost of £150,000, at Looe.

A new Creamery has been opened at Camborne by the Milk Marketing Board. About 15,000 gallons of milk are being handled daily, and there is a capacity for a a further 10,000 gallons. Ten tons of butter are being manufactured, and this amount can be increased to 15 tons.

The annual Whit-Monday service at Gwennap Pit was again held this year, when a crowd of 8,000 was present. Dr. F. W. Norwood was the preacher. The fine weather over the holiday week-end also attracted many people to the annual Whitsun fair.

A.J.C.

There is no country in the world that could better be described as a "have not" country than Great Britain. We do not control our Dominions. In getting foodstuffs and raw materials we have got to pay for them.—Sir ROBERT HORNE.





THIS is the 128th issue of our Magazine, and once again we appeal to our supporters not only for new ideas to give this effort a new lease of life, but to those employees who are not subscribers, to tell us what we can do to make them interested enough to add their names to the subscription list.

In previous issues we have stated that a staff organ, such as ours, does not presume to take the place of or compete with journals making a general or national appeal. It is purely a journal of the House of Harris, providing a regular link between all whose welfare and livelihood are dependent upon the maintenance of the firm's goodwill.

There is no need for our pages to consist entirely of notices or past events. There are many readers with bright ideas, which would prove helpful and entertaining if they would only pass them on to us for publication. In this way they would have the satisfaction of knowing they had taken a practical share in the preparation of the Magazine.

We feel certain that the increased interest shown in the summer programme of the H.W.A. is a happy augury for the winter session. That the virile Skittle Section will find the alley used to capacity is a foregone conclusion. The Games Committee are organising the usual competitions and matches with local and district clubs. There is some talk of a Physical Culture Club, in view of the National Fitness Campaign, and promises of support should be sent to the Secretary as soon as possible, so that an early start can be made. The lectures held for two seasons did not receive encouraging support. If, however, the Library Section receive sufficient promises to attend another series could be arranged.

The appreciation of employees for the provision of the head-quarters of the H.W.A. at the Hall can be shown not only by becoming members of the Association but by making a full and harmonious use of the amenities provided.



WILL everyone concerned please accept this expression of gratitude for the good wishes and kindness shown by everyone to my daughter on the occasion of her wedding.

At the time of writing we are still waiting upon the Minister of Agriculture for his promised announcement in regard to the future of the Pigs' Marketing Scheme. So far, not an inkling of what is in the minds of the powers that be has been conveyed to anybody outside the Ministry Offices. This state of uncertainty is preventing the planning of pig production for 1938. Producers do not know whether to keep their sows for breeding purposes or what the prospects of pig production are likely to be. Meantime, if our reports are correct, there is a shrinkage of available pig supplies that must react upon total supplies of English bacon, and the working conditions of those who are engaged in the industry. The state of "Waiting and seeing" is naturally causing restlessness in all directions in the producing industry, and upon full activity on the part of the producer the supplies of bacon pigs in the English factories must depend. It is hardly necessary to say to all our friends that we are doing all we can in their interests. and in the interests of the factories.

The main problem facing the Producer is the cost of feeding stuffs. The position as regards the future trend of prices must be influenced by such reports as are coming to hand of droughts in the Middle-West of America and unsuitable weather conditions elsewhere. It is quite certain that if the Government want this branch of agriculture to be maintained and expanded some provision will have to be made by legislative means to enable this to be done. It cannot be in the public interests that there should be a return to the old conditions when, at varying periods, pigs were either practically non-existent or in comparative glut supply. No orderly expansion and marketing are possible upon such a basis.

There is a drift of labour from the land to temporary work caused by national activities in regard to the munitions programme. What is to happen to these men when the temporary work of building aerodromes, &c., has been completed? Is it not time that Government policy should be announced providing an expanding programme of home production so that not only may these men be re-absorbed into agricultural pursuits, but that agriculture as a whole may be placed upon such a basis that many more will be required to work out the country's need for full supplies of homeproduced goods to meet any eventuality that may arise?



Our French Feature.

LE HAVRE ET SA REGION.

A tous ceux qui disposent de quelque temps pendant la belle saison et qui veulent profiter de la brise marine si salutaire à la santé, tout en recherchant les avantages d'une grande ville, nous conseillons de venir au Havre, centre de Tourisme en Normandie, à 2 heures 20 de Paris.

Fondée par Francois ler en 1517, Le Havre est une ville relativement moderne. Grâce à sa situation sur le majestueux estuaire de la Seine, au pied de l'un des sites les plus merveilleux des Côtes de France, ce grand port offre un attrait tout particulier pour les Touristes.

Grande cité cosmopolite d'environ 200,000 habitants, Le Havre est une des plus importantes places commerciales, industrielles et maritimes du monde; c'est aus.i un des premiers Ports de l'Europe pour l'importation des Cotons, Cafés, Rhums, Céréales, Bois exotiques, Cacaos et Denrées Coloniales; il est d'ailleurs tête de lignes Transatlantiques et de nombreuses et grandes lignes étrangères y font escale. C'est en resumé le Port Français qui importe la plus grande valeur totale de marchandises.

La visite du Port et de ses paquebots est des plus instructives. La plage du Havre très fréquentée de Pâques à fin Septembre, offre avec son Casino où se trouvent un excellent Théâtre, un joyeux dancing, les jeux autorisés, et toutes les distractions des grandes plages mondaines.

La beauté de ses jardins admirablement entretenus, la propreté des rues, la grandeur des voies principales et leur remarquable éclairage, sont les caractéristiques de cette ville importante.

Le Théâtre Municipal joue pendant la saison d'hiver; de nombreux Cinémas pendant toute l'année. Les spectacles sportifs comptent parmi les meilleurs; il existe un Vélodrome et six Stades dont le Stade Municipal de 25,000 places; on peut encore citer celui du Havre Athletic Club (H.A.C.), qui possède une des meilleures équipes de France et le Stade Havrais.

Pendant la saison d'été, cinq journées de Courses sont organisées sur l'Hippodrome de la Forêt de Montgeon à trois kilomètres du centre de la ville.

En Juillet, deux semaines de Régates

Internationales attirent les yachtmen du monde entier.

Du Samedi, veille de Pâques, et pendant 17 jours se tient au Palais des Expositions, la Foire du Havre qui attire chaque année des milliers de visiteurs et prend depuis sa fondation en 1925, une importance toujours plus grande.

La région du Havre n'est pas moins intéressante et les Touristes pourront en quelques jours, les Auto-Cars aidant, rayonner par aller et retour dans l'admirable Pays de Caux, visiter ses belles plages, ses sites pittoresques, ses richesses d'art et ses souvenirs historiques et archéologiques.

Le Bureau du Syndicat d'Initiative, dont le siège est au rez-de-chaussée de l'Hôtel de Ville, donne gratuitement, directement ou par correspondance, tous les renseignements nécessaires.

Il délivre des guides, plans, itinéraires, fiches de séjour, liste des Hôtels et Pensions. Il est heureux de faciliter et de rendre agréable un séjour au Havre et dans sa région.

Dans les mêmes locaux, L'Office National du Tourisme possède un bureau spécia! dit Bureau National de Port. Ce Bureau s'occupe plus particulièrement des voyageurs étrangers arrivant par les paquebots.

Touristes qui désirez connaître la vie d'un grand Port moderne et respirer en même temps l'air de la mer venant du large, nous recommandons la visite de la Porte Océane, le Havre, où vous serez toujours sûrs d'être bien accueillis.

LE SYNDICAT D'INITIATIVE, DU HAVRE ET DE LA REGION.

FLOWER SHOW.

The Committee at a recent meeting decided upon a new departure which may be of interest to exhibitors. This year they propose to award two medals for the largest number of points obtained by an exhibitor—one for the Fruit and Vegetable Section and one for the Flower Section. We hope these awards will be an increased incentive to exhibitors and result in a record show.

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A Bowler's Holiday.

PORTY-FIVE years or so ago I used to think a cricket tour to be a good way to spend a holiday. It was the period before golf had become a serious rival to first-class club cricket and, as played at the time, club cricket was at its best. A very favourite tour was, and I suppose still is, the Devonshire tour, when we used to play two-day matches against such places as Torquay, Sidmouth, Exmouth, and Exeter. The Sidmouth match, in particular, was attractive by reason of the very beautiful situation of the ground.

Now, in later life, I have had to change over from cricket to bowls, and my idea is to to go to some seaside town and join the local club for the hoilday period. I have had several holidays in this way at Newquay, and more recently at Herne Bay. This year, at Herne Bay, I noticed that the Visitors' Book had very recently been signed by two players who would seem to have arrived together, one from Calne, the other from Chippenham. I felt rather savage at just having missed the chance of meeting a Calne player on a neutral Cumberland turf green; for I have just heard from Mr. Swaffield about our annual Calne-London fixture. While at Herne Bay the local club was visited by the Northumberland tourists. A six-rink match ending in a tie of 125 each. Another day the Women Bowlers' Kentish Secretary's Cup was played for. The bowling was quite up to the standard of what one expects in an ordinary club men's fixture.

I do not know what frightfulness may be prepared for us on the Calne green, but we shall not go bereft of hopes of a win. Mr. Coles has been doing quite well in the Middlesex singles until he ran up against Carruthers and got put out. The next week this Carruthers was chosen to skip one green for England in the International matches. It is a difficult job for an ordinary club bowler to make a show in singles against men of the playing ability of Carruthers or Pickering, of Watford. These very high lights make the game one of manoeuvres, playing their woods like chessmen on a board.

I did not see much of the county of Kent, but from what I did see it is evident that it has become difficult for Kent to continue to maintain the claim of being the Garden of England. Greater London spreads year by year until now St. Mary Cray, 15 miles out, looks like a London suburb. From the train one is seldom out of sight of dumps of houses, and along the coast-line bungaloitis spreads like a contagious disease. More than ever one wonders what the future holds for Rural England. A great part is now nothing in particular—neither town nor country.

R.E.H.

Sports Day at Ipswich.

THE first Sports Day to be organised by the Harris (Ipswich) Sports and Social Club, for the employees, their wives, children, and friends, was held at the Club's Sports Ground, Gwydr Road, on Saturday, July 3rd, from 3 p.m.—10 p.m.

It was an afternoon of glorious sunshine, and the gathering of people were able to enjoy to the full all the events provided for their amusement. We were pleased to welcome to the ground so many people, including Mr. and Mrs. Ludgate and Mr. and Mrs. Friggens.

Mr. Ludgate, in opening the afternoon's sports, said (through the medium of the "mike") that he was delighted to see such whole-hearted support given to this new venture of the Club, and in welcoming all who were there said he was also pleased to see that such good use was being made of the opportunities given. Mr. Ludgate recalled that this day was the occasion upon which the marriage of Miss Bodinnar was being solemnised, and that he had caused a telegram of congratulations and good wishes to be sent to her from the whole of the Ipswich Staff. This was received with the warm approval of all at the ground.

Mr. Ludgate wished the Club every success for the afternoon, and the programme of events commenced. For the interest of the readers the programme and results were as follows:—

Event 1.—100 yards flat handicap, for employees' children (boys, 9-14 years)—Won by D. Brock; 2nd, K. Seaman.

Event 2.—100 yards flat for men—Won by Mr. G. Springate; 2nd, Mr. D. Sherwood. Event 3.—100 yards flat handicap, for

employees' children (girls, 9-14 years)—Won by Elsie Green; 2nd, Marjorie Slade.

Event 4.—50 yards handicap, for

employees' children (boys, 5-9 years)—Won by R. Goodchild; 2nd, D. Offord.

Event 5.—50 yards handicap, for employees' children (girls, 5-9 years)—Won by Jean Goodchild; 2nd, Gwenda Wright.

Event 6.—75 yards three-legged handicap, for employees' children (mixed)—Won by Connie Slade and Marjorie Slade; 2nd, Kenneth Seaman and Derek Brock.

Event 7.—100 yards handicap, for employees' ladies—Won by Miss P. Charlton; 2nd, Miss J. Lord.

Event 8.—75 yards handicap, special, veterans (50 years and over)—Won by Mr. A. Green; 2nd, Mr. S. Trew.

Event 8a.—100 yards handicap, veterans—Won by Mr. S. Bloomfield; 2nd, Mr. G. Abbott.

Event 8b.—10 yards potato race, for employees' wives—Won by Mrs. E. Sharpe; 2nd, Mrs. K. Downes.

Event 9.—100 yards men's handicap. Final—See event 2.

Event 10.—100 yards three-legged handicap, ladies—Wou by Miss J. Lord and Miss P. Charlton; 2nd, Miss D. Quinton and Miss C. Walters.

Event 11.—50 yards slow bicycle race— Won by Mr. D. Bartram; 2nd, Mr. F. Burton

Event 12.—25 yards pork, cheese, basin race—Won by Mr. G. Staff; 2nd, Mr. C. Wright.

Event 13.—100 yards three-legged handicap (men)—Won by Mr. F. Bloomfield and Mr. E. Mallett; 2nd, Mr. D. Sherwood and Mr. O. Mills.

Event 14.—Musical chairs on cycles (ladies and gentlemen)—Won by Miss D. Ouinton.

Event 15.—75 yards sack race (men)—Won by Mr. J. Jennings; 2nd, Mr. W. Fox.

Event 16.—75 yards sack race (ladies)—Won by Miss P. Charlton; 2nd, Miss D. Yaxley.

Event 17.—75 yards sack race (men)—Final—see event 15.

Event 18.—Departmental tug-of-war—Won by Maintenance Department.

Officials:—Chairman, Mr. C. Seaman; hon. secretary, Mr. L. Storey; starter, Mr. H. S. Brock.

Judges:—Mr. H. Ludgate, Mr. W. B. Friggens, Mr. F. T. Smart, Mr. A. H. Mackenzie, Mr. F. J. Hazelton, Mr. R. Sherwood, Mr. C. Baldry, Mr. C. E. Hobbs.

As will be seen from the above events a full and enjoyable time was spent.

Our thanks are due to Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Smart for providing such an excellent tea for the children. The tea for the adults was a great success, thanks due to all those who gave such excellent foodstuffs, and congratulations to the Misses Teager and Beazley and their helpers for the catering arrangements.

Music during the intervals was well received from the radio van. At the end of the events Mrs. Ludgate kindly presented the prizes.

A word about the Sideshows. These proved very popular and profitable. To Messrs. W. Goodchild and J. Rose (darts and "spiking-the-spud"), Mr. W. Slade (treasure Island), Mr. S. Offord (competition, number of currants contained in cake, given by Mrs. Ludgate), Messrs. C. Seaman and S. Bloomfield (canteen), and Miss M. Clark and Miss D. Moss (ice cream), we owe our thanks for the great help.

Our thanks are also due to Mr. J. Jennings (M.C. for dancing), Mr. C. Wright (first aid), and to all those who spent much of their own time in preparing the ground.

The response to the collection made at the factory for the provision of prizes, icecream, &c., for the children was very gratifying, and we thank all who contributed and helped to give the kiddies an enjoyable time.

In all a very happy time was spent, and it is very pleasing to the committee to learn that the wish has been expressed that the event may become an annual one.

A few "Whys" about the Sports Day:—

- 1.—Why did Winkle Flory find it necessary to let three of his team lie on top of him during the tug-of-war?
- 2.—Why did the Announcer give to Miss Beazley and Miss Olley the opportunity to start 20 minutes earlier than the rest of the competitors in the ladies' 100 yards?
- 3.—And why, or why, didn't they take it?
- 4.—Why did "Dowsing" place a glass of beer in the Radio-van?
- 5.—And why did the Announcer sit on it instead of drinking it?
- 6.—Why did the Starter screw up his eyes when firing the pistol?

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FLOWER SHOW SPORTS.

| PROGRAMME OF EVENTS, SATURDAY, AUGUST 14th, 193 | | |
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| 1.—2.30.—Inter-Departmental Relay Race (Ladies) 4/- ea | | |
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| 12 4 30 -220 Yards Race. Boys under 18 years of age (handicap) 6/- | | 2/- |
| | | |
| Associated Factories (100 Yards handicap) 5/- | 3/- | 2/- |
| 14.—4.45.—Inter-Factory Tug-of-War, Final. President's Cup and 16/- | 8/- | |
| 15.—5. 0.—Veterans' Race for Gold Medallists of Calne and | | |
| Associated Factories (50 Yards scratch) 5/- | 3/- | 2/- |
| 16.—5. 5.—Half-mile Race, Men, 18 years of age and over | | |
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CONDITIONS.

All Entries should reach the Hon. Secretaries on or before August 7th, after which date no Entries will be accepted. Coaches of Tug-of-War Teams should make arrange-

ments with Messrs, G. R. Ashman and W. Prior as to weighing of Teams not later than 13th August.

Entries will be taken on the Field for Events Nos. 13 and 15.

All Competitors must be Members of Carnival and Flower Show Section of H.W.A., excepting Events Nos. 7, 13, 15, 22, 24, 25, 28, and 29. Entrance to all Competitions Free.

No Second Prize if less than 4 Runners. No Third Prize if less than 6 Runners. RELAY RACES.—Team to consist of 4 members from Departments as grouped. Distance \(\frac{1}{4} \) Mile. Each Competitor to run 110 yards. Departments may enter as many Teams as possible.

MEDLEY RACE.— (2 Ladies and 2 Men) to race in relay, 1st Lady to run 80 yards, 1st Man to run 80 yards in sack, 2nd Lady to skip 80 yards, 2nd Man to cycle 2 laps.

It is a condition of entry that all Competitors wear the distinguishing Numbers allotted to them.

VETERANS' RACES.—Three Prizes if 6 Runners; 2 Prizes if 4 Runners. TUGS-OF-WAR.—Ordinary boots (no studs allowed).

Hon. Secretaries: -G. R. ASHMAN, A. McLEAN, R. B. SWAFFIELD.

Chippenham Folk will miss "Prince."

HORSE WHICH CALLED FOR HIS SUGAR.

HIS RETIREMENT.

A LTHOUGH few people realised it as they saw him drawing his waggon through the town on Saturday, Chippenham lost a familiar figure from its streets last week-end.

"Prince," a big, bay cart horse, the property of the Wiltshire Bacon Company, had become almost an institution as, driven by Mr. F. P. Colman, he drew the four-wheeled covered waggon from which supplies were made to the shops in the town.

A few years ago "Prince," for all his size, started to play "Postman's Knock."



Left alone in Timber Street, while his driver was delivering goods to Mrs. Curley's shop, he knocked on the door of a neighbour, Mrs. Phillips, by taking the knocker in his mouth. It was quite unprompted and unrehearsed, and Mrs. Phillips rewarded her caller with a lump of sugar. Ever since she has had a piece of sugar ready for her equestrian visitor and he never forgot to call!

"Prince" also learnt some time later there was a tit-bit waiting to be collected at Mrs. Tucker's, at the Wood Lane, not so far away, and it is at this door he is seen knocking in the picture.

Patrons of the Waverley Hotel, in the Market Place, enjoying a morning cup of tea, have been surprised to see the somewhat massive head and shoulders of "Prince" appear in the doorway.

Mr. Coleman regularly called at the Waverley to leave parcels for local buses, and it did not take "Prince" long to discover that cake, of which he is as fond as any schoolboy, was here for the asking. So while Mr. Coleman was about his business "Prince," after a look through the window to make certain the proprietress, Mrs. Keene, or her assistant, Miss Betty Hall, was there, steps on to the pavement and gets as far into the shop as he can. If the door was shut, as sometimes was the case, he would knock on the private door a few yards away, and he never went unrewarded.

Now "Prince" is replaced by a more prosaic motor-van, and there are three people at least who will miss a faithful visitor.

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An Outing to the Aldershot Tattoo.

SPLENDID day's outing was enjoyed by the 26 persons who formed the party making a trip to Windsor and Aldershot Tattoo on the 19th June. Excellently organised by Mr. William Richens, who was ably assisted by Mr. John Angell and Mr. Harry Watts, the last two being especially helpful with their minute schedule of times and places, &c., and, of course, last but not least, the refreshments.

Leaving the Strand at one p.m., we made our way to Marlborough, thence on to Newbury, Reading, and Maidenhead, finally reaching Windsor at 4.30 p.m.

There having been racing at Windsor that day, we were fortunate in having booked some weeks beforehand our tea at the Thames Hotel, which overlooks the river in front, and from which the Castle can be seen from the other side.

The river was fully occupied with the various boating clubs, and we all enjoyed watching the activities of the members of these athletic clubs trying their skill on the river.

We all had a very good tea, even if someone did ask for the "mashed potato," and the "beef" was, if not then, eventually washed down!

We were only able to spend about an hour at Windsor, and whilst some visited the Castle and others took a trip on the river, the rest of us looked around the town. It was all very pleasant, and although we left Windsor at 6.30 p.m. in the rain, it soon passed off and did not rain again until we were returning home.

Driving through Windsor Great Park, where we saw plenty of deer and game, we came to Ascot, where we could see from the road the famous racecourse where, for the past four days, our King and Queen and their guests had so much enjoyed themselves, besides being a source of enjoyment to those thousands of loyal subjects who had cheered their Majesties upon their visits. And so, taking in everything around us, we arrived at Aldershot in good time to see the Tattoo. It was all very easy in finding your way to the arena, owing to the excellent arrangements, and we were able to

join in the community singing before the commencement of the Tattoo at 9.45 p.m.

Just before the arrival of their Majesties we saw emerging from the fortress a regiment of Guards. Amidst the silence—there was no band playing—these men slowly made their way across the arena. Looking down from the stands, and as they ascended the hill from the arena, it looked like a big black river slowly winding its way on a course from which you felt nothing could stop.

Then the crowd let themselves go as the car containing their Majesties came into sight, the cheering continuing until they had made their way from the front of the stands, through the crowd, to the Royal stand.

There is no need for me to go over the Tattoo; in any case, it would be very hard and would, no doubt, take up a lot of room in explaining it to you. If I say I could not explain the magnificence of it, especially the final scene, then you will understand.

Three hearty cheers were given their Majesties on their departure, and everybody was in great spirits as we slowly wended our way to our charabanc. Before we left we were treated with another performance from the already tired actors who were making their way to barracks and home. This was in the shape of singing, and it did one good to hear these men as they marched along singing and shouting so happily.

We left eventually about one a.m., and, driving through the rain, which had been so kind to us during the performance, we arrived at Calne four o'clock on Sunday morning.

S.T.

Give me a newborn child, and in ten years I can have him so scared he'll never dare to lift his voice above a whisper, or so brave that he'll fear nothing.—Dr. George A. Dorsey.

Shopkeeper (to salesman): I don't want to see you to-day. I've got plenty of your goods; besides, I'm busy.

Enter Beggar (to shopkeeper): Spare us a copper, mister.

Shopkeeper (pointing to salesman): There's the boss over there; go and ask him.

Salesman: Alright, give him a shilling out of the till.

The above is supposed to be a true story.

A Wayfarer's Note-Book.

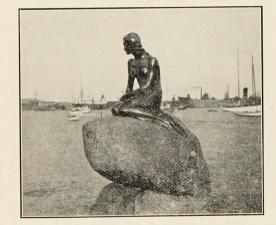
COPENHAGEN.

A SCANDINAVIAN tour would be incomplete without a few days in Copenhagen, the Capital of Denmark. This fine city has a population practically a fifth that of the whole country and for the most part the remainder aspire to settle down there on retirement.

There is a homeliness about Copenhagen, and while there is no display of opulence, there is at the same time little evidence of penury.

The most popular means of travel is the bicycle, for which special paths are provided alongside many of the roads. Officers in full uniform ride by from time to time; in fact, the King and nearly all his subjects indulge in this most pleasurable means of transport. Traffic generally does not seem to be in quite so much of a hurry as it is with us, and consideration for the slower-moving pedestrian is more noticeable.

A popular and fashionable rendezvous of the people is the Langelinie, a fine, park-



The Little Mermaid, Copenhagen.

like promenade overlooking the port. Nearby is St. Alban's Church of England, where our own Queen Alexandra used to worship when in Copenhagen. Then there is the Royal Yacht Club, where there are hundreds of trim sailing craft, and a few yards further on the exquisite statue of "The Little Mermaid," reminding us of the fairy tales of that great Danish story-teller, Hans Andersen.

Within easy walking distance is the

Royal Palace of Amalienborg, comprising four uniform buildings surrounding a large square. This is the residence of the Royal Family when at home in the capital, and here we were fortunate enough to see the Changing of the Guard.

Denmark consists of several islands as well as the peninsula of Jutland. Copenhagen is on the island of Zealand, and is



One of the Guards outside the Royal Palace.

connected with the other islands and the mainland of this democratic state by a very efficient train-ferry system.

For those who are interested in cabarets there is plenty of night life in Copenhagen, and the world-famous Tivoli Amusement Park is another great attraction.

WAYFARER.

An article on the Mersey Tunnel by Mr. H. W. Heighway, of Chippenham, together with reports and comments on the Inter-Departmental Cricket Tournament, are unavoidably held over until next month.

A fool cannot enter a room or go out, sit down or stand up, or keep quiet like an intelligent man.—MOLIERE.

The lips should be as close as possible to the transmitter mouthpiece—almost touching it. If you speak clearly it is rarely necessary to speak loudly.—Telephone Directory.



On Thursday, July 1st, we received the annual visit of the successful students in the final examination of the Institute of Certificated Grocers.

The students arrived in Calne from the Cotswold Flour Mills, of Cirencester, and after lunch at the Lansdowne Arms, where they were staying the night, the party were conducted round the factories. After tea at the Woodlands a visit was paid to Bowood, to inspect the gardens, which we have never seen looking more beautiful. The great feature is the herbaceous border, which must be some 200 yards in length; we saw it just at the best time, and it was literally a blaze of colour. The hothouses with their crops of figs, grapes, and nectarines were also greatly admired.

On returning to the Lansdowne Arms the party was joined by Mr. J. F. Bodinnar, the president of the Institute, who took the chair at the dinner. A capital musical programme had been arranged, and we were delighted with songs by Mr. R. G. Stokes and by the mimicry of Mr. A. P. Holding. Captain K. H. Bond, of the Ministry of Agriculture, gave us his rendering of "The Ramsbotham Family and the National Mark," a topical adaptation of the characters which have been made famous by Stanley Holloway.

Mr. Bodinnar gave an inspiring address to the students in replying to the toast of the Institute, which had been proposed by Mr. R. Swift, of the Ministry of Agriculture. Other toasts were proposed and replied to by Captain K. H. Bond, Mr. W. G. Copsey, the secretary of the Institute and Mr. C. L. T. Beeching, the late secretary, who was the Institute representative in joint charge of the party with the Ministry representatives. Mr. R. P. Redman proposed the toast of "Our Guests."

The evening closed with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

The party left at 9 a.m. the following

day for Warminster to visit the West Country Creamery, Ltd.

We welcome Mr. Evan Anthony, who has joined us to undertake relief van sales work in South Wales.

I feel obliged to try to express my very great appreciation of the kindness and friendliness conveyed by the manner in which Mrs. Peter Lewis has chosen to deliver her message to all of us.

There is no doubt that every one of us experienced a similar feeling of admiration.

A VAN SALESMAN.

MISS BODINNAR'S WEDDING.

Great interest was taken by all our people at Calne and elsewhere in this event.

The Church and streets were thronged with well wishers who gave Doctor and Mrs. Lewis a happy send-off as they left the Church after the ceremony, under a brilliant Summer sky.

The best wishes of everybody connected with the House of Harris were expressed in the form of a wedding present consisting of Silver Candelabra, Silver Condiment Set, a Painting and an illuminated album of the names of the subscribers from each person associated with the staffs, demonstrators, travellers, salesmen, and operative workers engaged at the factories, offices, and warehouses at Calne, London, Chippenham, Highbridge, Tiverton, Totnes, Redruth, Kidlington, Eastleigh, Ipswich and Dunmow.

Referees need to be men of iron.—C. E. Sutcliffe, President of the Football League.

The country child knows less about birds than the town child.—Miss E. A. Duggins, at an Oxford Educational Conference.



1st XI.

It must surely be a record in the annals of our Cricket Club for the 1st XI. to go through the first two months of the season with 12 matches played, without a defeat; and writing of records it is our pleasure to announce another. Playing on June 23rd, versus the County Officials C.C., Trowbridge, R. Stevens, in making 119 not out, beat the individual highest score of 118 not out by R. Swaffield in 1930.

At Swindon on June 12th, versus Wills', we had a moral defeat, and time only saved us. (It is worth mentioning that our opponents called the time, not ourselves).

Wills' batted first and found E. M. Nash, the Wiltshire county player, in fine form with the bat. After losing his opening colleague at 11, the second wicket did not fall until 174 runs had been registered, and at the tea interval, when Wills' declared, 189 runs for four wickets had been scored, of which the county player had made 106. R. Stevens obtained three wickets for 32, I. J. Taylor one for 28. P. Carter made the only catch. In response we made 93 for eight wickets. It will be observed that two wickets were thrown away by run outs—usually the result of very bad judgment on the part of one or other of the batsmen.

HARRIS C.C.

R. Swaffield st Nash b Salway 6

K Haines run out 31

A. Bennett b Beasant 12

R Stevens c Martin b Beasant 0

J. Archard c Salway b Eaton 21

S Drewell not out 14

B. Gough run out 0

P. Carter b Joy 8

A. Sutton c Eaton b Salway 1

J. Bromham not out 0

Total for eight wickets 93

I. J. Taylor did not bat. Wills' C.C., 189 for four wickets, declared.

The fixtures with Calne C.C. are always

looked upon as extremely pleasant but keen, and these events usually bring the best out of the teams. On the 16th and 17th June the first of this season's encounters took place at Lickhill and resulted in a win for Harris by 112 runs. Batting first, the Town Club made 134, 92 of which were made by two players—R. Bailey 59 and L. Angell 33. I. I. Taylor secured five wickets for 35. R. Swaffield three for 36, and R. Stevens one for 15. Catches were made by I. J. Taylor, R. Stevens, and J. Bromham. A grand opening partnership of 159 runs was made by R. Swaffield and K. Haines (a record first wicket partnership, and only one short of the record third wicket partnership set up by R. Swaffield and S. Sandford in 1930), and Haines' 94 included eighteen fours. Until our opponents' score had been passed not a chance was offered, and such faultless cricket was a joy to watch.

Calne C.C., 134.

B. Gough did not bat.

| Came C.C., 134. | |
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| HARRIS C.C. | |
| R. Swaffield c Parkhouse b Whieldon | 53 |
| K. Haines b Whieldon | 94 |
| A. Bennett b Parkhouse | 2 |
| J. Archard lbw b Whieldon | 0 |
| R. Stevens b Parkhouse | 34 |
| G. Witchell b Parkhouse | 2 |
| J. Bromham b Turner | 4 |
| J. Wiltshire b Turner | 1 |
| I. J. Taylor b Turner | 8 |
| W. Smith not out | 11 |
| Extras | 37 |
| | |
| Total for 9 wickets | 246 |

The return match with Savernake resulted in a draw, greatly in our favour. We lost our first two wickets for 1 run, and things looked bad. A. E. Whieldon (who stepped in to help us at the last moment) and R. Stevens then became associated in a partnership which reached 94 before the former was bowled. In Stevens' 58 were nine fours. W. G. Kalaugher, the Oxford University fast bowler, took seven wickets

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or 53 runs. Savernake made 134 for nine wickets, and of seven bowlers tried six were successful in getting wickets, viz.:—I. J. Taylor three for 31, R. Stevens two for 23, J. Wiltshire one for 9, R. Swaffield one for 15, B. Gough one for 18, and A. Turner one for 20. Catches were made by R. Swaffield, J. Archard, B. Gough, and R. Swaffield.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| R. Swaffield b Kalaugher | 0 |
| A. E. Whieldon b Lansley | 48 |
| J. Archard c Rimington b Lansley | 0 |
| R. Stevens b Kalaugher | 58 |
| A. Turner c Aylen b Kalaugher | 16 |
| B. Gough b Kalaugher | 2 |
| J. Wiltshire not out | 22 |
| J. Bromham b Kalaugher | 0 |
| I. J. Taylor b Kalaugher | 4 |
| W. Butler lbw b Kalaugher | 7 |
| R. B. Swaffield c Aylen b Rimington | 0 |
| Extras | 9 |
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| | 166 |

Savernake C.C., 134 for nine wickets.

On June 23rd what one might call a remarkable performance was performed at Lickhill. In an evening match, lasting exactly three hours, over 400 runs were scored—cricket at its brightest. Batting first, Trowbridge County Offices scored 165, of which W. H. Connor 69 not out, E. B. Saxty 25 (two of Trowbridge 1st XI. players), together with the extras, made 127. I. J. Taylor, with five wickets for 35, P. Carter two for 28, A. Sutton one for 21, and R. Stevens one for 29, were our successful bowlers. Catches were made by E. Witchell (2) and K. Haines. Replying, we made 234 for four wickets, due principally to K. Haines and R. Stevens, who put on 136 runs for the second wicket. In Stevens' record score was four sixes and 19 fours, while Haines collected 10 fours in his. Again it is noticeable that unnecessary run-outs were evident.

County Offices C.C., 165.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
|------------------------------|----|
| R. Swaffield run out | 21 |
| K. Haines c Saxty b Winfield | 69 |
| R. Stevens not out | |
| P. Carter c Saxty b Winfield | 0 |
| A. Bennett run out | 8 |
| J. Archard not out | 0 |
| Extras | |
| | |

Total for four wickets ... 236

J. Wiltshire, G. Witchell, E. Witchell, A. Sutton, and I. J. Taylor did not bat.

On July 26th we beat G.W.R. (Swindon) 2nd XI. by 75 runs in a low-scoring game. Batting first, we made 118. It was pleasing to see the return to form of B. Gough, who made 26 not out. R. Stevens 19, E. Witchell 19, and A. Bennett also reached double figures. In dismissing the Railwaymen for 43 P. Carter took four wickets for 11, I. J. Taylor three for 19, E. Witchell two for 2, and R. Stevens one for 6. At one time we had seven wickets down for 18. Catches were made by B. Gough, R. Stevens, K. Haines, and J. Archard.

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| HARRIS C.C. | |
|----------------------------------|-----|
| R. Swaffield b Dowse | 8 |
| K. Haines lbw b Dowse | 7 |
| A. Bennett lbw b Phillips | 10 |
| R. Stevens b Beazley | 19 |
| B. Gough not out | 26 |
| P. Carter b Beazley | 9 |
| J. Archard b Beazley | 0 |
| J. Wiltshire c Stanton b Beazley | 0 |
| A. Sutton, c Wells b Dowse | 0 |
| E. Witchell b Axford | 19 |
| I. J. Taylor run out | 0 |
| Extras | 20 |
| | |
| | 118 |
| | |

G.W.R., 43.

Another evening match was played on June 30th, when Goatacre visited us. The game was drawn with honours fairly even. Goatacre batted first and made 146 for four wickets, after being three wickets down for 31. The very few bowling successes we gained were obtained by I. J. Taylor two for 42 and R. Stevens one for 29. Our reply was 85 for three wickets. Scores:—

Goatacre, 146 for four wickets, declared.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| R. Swaffield c Comley b Goodway | 3 |
| K. Haines c E. Godwin b Comley | 44 |
| A. Bennett not out | 15 |
| R. Stevens c Angell b Iles | 12 |
| B. Gough not out | 9 |
| Extras | 2 |
| | |

Total for three wickets 85 G. Witchell, A. Winter, A. Sutton, E. Witchell, I. J. Taylor did not bat.

2nd XI.

Although we topped the century on June 12th, when playing Avon Sports, at

Lickhill, we suffered defeat by 48 runs. For our 109, G. Witchell 26, W. Smith 21, H. Flay 15 not out, J. Wiltshire 12, and R. Bewley 10, were mostly responsible, while in getting our opponents out for 153, our successful bowlers were:—R. Goddard four wickets for 27, G. Witchell three for 40, B. Webb two for 16, and J. Wiltshire one for 41. B. Webb made two catches.

At Whitley, on June 19th, no-one on either side made double figures, and to our opponents' 57 we could only reply with 37. It necessarily follows that good bowling performances were made, and on our side B. Webb, with five wickets for 15, G. Witchell four for 18, and G. Dean one for 6, made a brave show on the score book. Catches were made by D. Culliford, E. Trembling, W. King, and R. Goddard.

The return match with the Avon Sports, on June 26th, at Melksham, was nearly a counterpart of the first fixture. The Melksham team made 135 (the extras helped with a useful 19), and in response we made 110. G. Witchell, the 2nd XI. captain, is playing a captain's part in these matches—he is generally in the picture with bat and ball. On this occasion he made 52 not out, and with H. Flav 27, carried the score for the fifth wicket from 19 to 71. W. Smith contributed a useful 12. Every bowler tried met with some success, they being E. Trembling four wickets for 20, B. Webb three for 47, R. Goddard one for 8, W. Smith one for 14, and G. Witchell one for 27. E. Wiltshire, A. Butler, and W. King each made a catch. Trembling's four wickets for 20 included the hat trick. Well done, Dano.

We regret that we cannot report more victories, but the regular way in which the 2nd XI. players are turning out this year should bring the desired results, and so long as they stick together and back up their captain and enjoy the games, as winning is not everything.

It is at last possible to answer the question of how civilisation emerged. It is fairly certain that, as we understand it, it began in Iran between 8000 and 5000 B.C.—A. V. POPE, President of American Institute for Persian Art and Archaeology.

Friends Elsewhere.



ILLNESS.

We are sorry to report this month that Mr. E. Taylor is indisposed. We all hope that he will soon be restored to his usual good health again.

CRICKET MATCH.

Our first attempt at cricket was made on Saturday, 12th June, 1937, when a match was played against the "Five Alls" Sports Club. There was considerable apprehension as to what form our XI. would produce, but our team proved to be more than novices at the game.

F. Sawyer deserves special mention. He topped the batting with 16 runs and took 7 wickets. D. Woodley also proved useful, making 9 runs and taking three wickets.

| TOTAL CD. | |
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| "ROYAL WILTS" F Taylor b Longstreet 4 R Simpkins b Elms 0 A G Clifford libw b Longstreet 9 H Timberlake b Elms 7 D Woodley b Simpkins 9 J Burchell b Elms . 3 F Sawyer b Longstreet 16 A Hawkins b Longstreet 1 A Harchard b Longstreet 1 H Archard b Longstreet 1 F Blanchard b Church 1 Extras 5 | "FIVE ALLS" R Longstreet b Sawyer 1 H Butler b Taylor . 2 E Church b Sawyer . 5 W Payne b Woodley . 12 M Simpkins b Sawyer . 3 G Bond b Woodley . 0 E A Church b Sawyer 1 F Perris not out . 2 L Williams b Woodley . 0 M Elms b Sawyer . 13 H Powell b Sawyer . 3 |
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CRICKET MATCH-FACTORY v. OFFICE.

As a result of the recent cricket match interest was created amongst other members of the staff, and on Friday, 2nd July, a match between the Factory and Office staffs was arranged.

In order that the Office team should be correctly represented it was necessary that

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every member available should play, and Mr. W. V. Long and Mr. J. G. Hooper completed the eleven.

The Factory staff must be congratulated on their decisive victory. Putting the Office to bat, the Factory bowlers soon found the wickets and the scores of the Office vanished as the men who were expected to make a few runs were sent back to the pavilion.

With only 17 runs against them the Factory started to bat with confidence, and they proved that they were the superior

team by making 66 runs.

Although the Factory won with such a substantial margin, it was a most interesting game, and if a return match can be arranged later on there is no doubt that the Office will do their best to avenge their defeat.

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| OFFICE | FACTORY |
| W H Weston b Wood- | A G Clifford run out 18 |
| ley 5 | J Weaver c Tucker |
| A B Fortune b Taylor | b Williams 9 |
| P B Heath c Hanks | b Williams 9 F Sawyer b Hooper 5 |
| | R Simpkins lbw b |
| b Sawyer 2 | |
| T H Williams b Sawyer 0 | |
| A E Burton c Clifford | J Burchell c Clarke b |
| b Sawyer1 | Heath 1 |
| E Tucker b Taylor 4 | F Taylor b Williams 14 |
| | D Woodley b Heath 1 |
| J G Hooper b Sawyer 0 | |
| E Yeates not out 0 | |
| W V Long b Woodley 0 | H Archard c and b |
| J Swayne b Lem 0 | |
| | J Rowe not out 5 |
| B F Pinfield b Lem | J Rowe not out |
| | J Hanks b Yeates 2 |
| Extras 6 | J Hanks b Yeates 2 Extras 3 |
| 124.44 | |
| | 68 |
| 17 | 90 |
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VISIT TO CALNE.

Many of us at Chippenham are already looking forward and preparing for the annual visit to Calne on Saturday, 14th August, 1937.

Arrangements are already being made to take part in the competitions, and we hope that we shall prove more successful this year. We also hope to have the usual entries in the Exhibition Classes, and again return home with some of the spoils.

W.H.W.

The United States of to-day were made first by the river steamboat and then by the railway. Without these the present United States would have been altogether impossible.—H. G. Wells.

The great majority of people, though they have perfectly good brains, do not in the least know how to use them. We neglect our brains just as we neglect our limbs.—HUBERT PHILLIPS.



"EYES RIGHT."

That order was given to 80,000 ex-Service men marching past their Majesties at a huge parade last Sunday. But to some 200—250 of those men that order was a mockery; they were those blinded men from St. Dunstan's, who had lost that greatest

gift of all, sight.

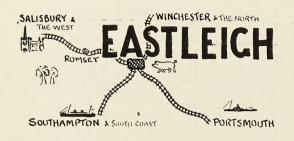
How terribly casual most of us are with this gift—no greater offender could be found, perhaps, than myself-but, reading of that brave, but pathetic response to that command, brought me up with a jerk, shattering that contempt, bred of familiarity, compelling me to think and to really "see." What wouldn't those poor, sightless fellows give for just one hour of what we enjoy every hour of every day of every year? Just a glimpse of a field of waving green growing corn, dotted with blood-red poppies, as I saw this morning. Perhaps some of you saw exactly the same; others the sun gleaming on the sea; or in the larger towns, some wonderful piece of architecture may have compelled your attention.

Do any of us truly appreciate our good fortune? I am afraid not. We have seen the same or similar things too often without thinking; these other poor, brave unfortunates have to think without seeing.

H.J.P. 29th June, 1937. * * *

The sad fact is that actually there is not enough humour to go round.—Mr. John Watt, B.B.C. producer.

The sense of humour has other things to do than to make itself conspicuous in the act of laughter.—Alice Meynell.



We were pleased to welcome Mr. Bodinnar on a special visit to Eastleigh during the month of June, and the fine gesture of a revision of wages was received with the greatest satisfaction. Our grateful thanks are due for this further expression of the deep interest the Company shows in the welfare of its employees.

We were also pleased to receive a visit from Mr. Redman and Mr. Gillett during the month.

The Staff Outing has been fixed for Saturday, July 3rd, with Brighton as the centre of attraction. We hope to publish a report of the Outing in our next copy.

We are glad that Mr. A. F. Jannaway is making good progress following his operation for cartilage trouble.

There is good news for our footballers in the decision to form a team which, it is hoped, will compete in the local League during the coming season. We hope to give more details at a later date.

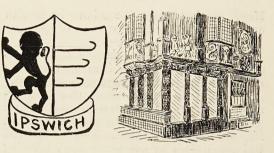
* * * LEMON SQUASH.

31bs. sugar, 2 lemons, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon essence of lemon, 1oz. citric acid.

Put the sugar into a large jug or bowl, pare the rind of lemon very thinly, remove white pith and pips, and slice the fruit, add the citric acid and essence of lemon. Pour over one quart of boiling water, stir occasionally to dissolve the sugar. Let stand till cool, preferably all night, when the lemon flavour is stronger. Strain and bottle.

Result, quickly-made lemonade for any

May be diluted with plain or soda water. ELIZABETH.



Apart from Mr. Bodinnar's visit to us on June 2nd (reported in last month's issue), Ipswich has nothing very much to report for the remainder of the month.

The principal activities have centred round the Sports and Social Club, who are proving themselves a very live body indeed. They have acquired a motor-mower, with which they have done stout work on the sports ground. This accomplished, they thereupon decided to hold a Sports Day for employees and their children, and this event was held on Saturday, July 3rd. An unqualified success!

Running races for both adults and children, slow bicycle races, sack race, &c., a keenly-contested inter-departmental tug-of-war, sideshows, dancing (music by loud speaker and radiogram), excellent catering for tea and refreshments, and glorious weather, all contributed to make a thoroughly enjoyable event. A full report appears elsewhere in this issue from the Secretary, Mr. L. Storey, to whom, and his Committee, we all owe our sincere thanks and congratulations. They have this year inaugurated what will certainly become a hardy annual.

On the same day a wedding took place in which we were all interested—that of Miss Bodinnar to Dr. Lewis. In offering our congratulations and good wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Lewis, we ask them to believe that, though personally unknown to the majority of us, our tributes are sincere, inspired as they are by our loyalty and affection for the bride's father.

Our sick list is small. Mr. W. B. Eaton (Bacon Department) has gone to a Convalescent Home at Herne Bay, and Mr. B. Grimsey (Offal Department) is undergoing treatment at the Ipswich Hospital.

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Here's hoping to see them both back with us very soon.

Holidays are here again, and brown faces appear amongst us. Our factory at Ipswich stands on ground between two busy railway lines, and we see many train-loads of holidaymakers bound for Lowestoft, Gorleston, and Yarmouth on the one side, and Cromer and Hunstanton on the other. The Continental train, too, goes by every morning, bringing visitors who have crossed from Holland by the train ferry to Parkeston, continuing their journey to the Midlands and the North of England. At week-ends there is a regular procession of trains to and from Felixstowe, carrying as many passengers as can possibly squeeze in. It is a cheap trip—10d. return, any train-and the number of passengers on a fine week-end reaches to over 8,000.

Thus, vicariously, we can follow the holiday-maker as he (and she) speeds happily by on the journey to the seaside. We see the faces of excited, happy children, outward bound on their great adventure, looking from the corridor windows, longing for that first glimpse of the sea. Fine weather and good luck to them all, and to you, our conferes at all the branches.

A.H.M.



LEADERSHIP.

Some time ago we had something to say about modern education. The schools of thought on the subject of teaching methods are legend. The writer's personal taste for beginners, for example, is the Frobelian method, because it permits young minds to reason out problems for themselves rather than learn by means of tables and rules. In this connection interest was caught by a letter to the Editor of "The Yorkshire Post" upon "Leadership," from which I propose to quote.

"One of the chief characteristics of public life to-day is the lack of leaders, and the question is often asked why this post-war period has produced no statesmen of the calibre of a Pitt, or a Gladstone, or a Disraeli. It may well be that the reason is to be found in the fact that the turmoil and anxiety produced in this country by the Great War still persists, though in different forms. It is difficult to say.

"But even if our country were to produce leaders, they are not welcomed in public life. Mill's predictions that 'the natural tendency of representative government is towards collective mediocrity,' and that 'this tendency is increased by all extensions of the franchise,' are being confirmed

"Further, universal franchise inculcates the idea of equality of unequals. Independent and thoughtful people moved by high ideals of service and sacrifice find that there is no room for them among those who are brought to the front by the popular vote. and H. G. Wells, in his 'Anticipations' writes, 'Modern Democracy conducts its affairs as if there was no such thing as special knowledge or practical education.'

"Thus the loss of faith in personality, or in the sense of personal responsibility, is a grave danger of democracy. The best men in the State are more and more refusing to take any interest in politics; and there is a habit of always calling on the Government to help us instead of trying to help ourselves." In brief, the sturdy, independent type is giving way to a race of what might be termed "hangers-on," or, perhaps, mediocre. It would be interesting to know what readers think of this.

An educationist remarked at a recent conference that he was not interested in the brilliant students, because these were completely provided for by British school curriculums, and they would find the path onward and upward for themselves. His anxiety was to bring up the standard of the average. This is a laudable purpose, no doubt, but without leadership a nation of average people may lose its way. Listen to Mr. Maurice Jacks, head master, Mill Hill School, London:—

"Boys and girls of to-day are looking about for some kind of authority—they feel themselves lost on the seas of life, and are driving about without anchor. The experts in nearly every walk of life—in economics, sociology, and religion—are all at sixes and sevens. It is no use asking an expert,

because an expert always differs from the next expert. They want somebody to speak to them as having the voice of authority, and not as an expert."

"The authoritarian movements of the world to-day are drawing young recruits—Nazism and Fascism with dictatorship by men, Communism with dictatorship by the State."

Who can gainsay these thoughtful remarks? It is true that Dr. Jacks proceeded to point out that the Christian Church should grasp the opportunity and re-establish in the minds of the young the authority of what he called the dictatorship of God.

It is not the purpose of these notes to discuss the religious aspect, but to ask if our present system of education is fulfilling its whole purpose of teaching to think logically, and to act promptly upon the initiative of the mental pointer.

For myself I do not think we are getting value for the money spent on education, because it is failing to produce leaders. What do others think?

No doubt many of our readers will be suffering during the next few months with tired feet, and now is the time when every good man should come to the aid of them. Human feet work hard and get little attention. Hot pavements fret and worry them; ill-fitting shoes drive them mad. The nervous system is sympathetic, goes on strike, and life is bitter. Chiropodists say that only 30 per cent. of civilised human beings are free of foot troubles.

Warm baths put the feet in a good frame of mind for the time being. Massages with mineral or olive oil condition them so that they are better able to carry the load. Vigorous kneading with strong fingers sets the blood streams dancing.

The best time for the treatment is at night after the warm bath. Pour a little mineral oil over the top of the foot, stroke back and forth from toes to ankle. Use more oil and friction it into the sides and soles. The soles need extra special attention because they have little contact with air, and the flesh becomes parched. The use of foot powder should be a common practice.

We hope the above remarks will be appreciated by at least one or two of our readers.

In Huddersfield the other day we heard the classic about the mill buzzer. Here it is:—The boss had had to reprove the foreman for operatives coming into the mill after the buzzer had gone.

"Th'd better do someat abant it, or tha'll probably lose thi job," he threatened.

A week later the boss again saw the foreman and said: "Ah'm reight glad, lad, at t' way tha's getten'em all into t'mill afore t'buzzer."

"Aye," said the foreman. "Ah allus gits 'em in afore t'buzzer, nah."

"An' ah 'as to done it, lad?"

"Well, tha sees, t' last man in blaws t'buzzer nah!"

Next Saturday it is the University Rag Day in Leeds and the city will be in a turmoil for a day. Here are one or two jokes taken from the "Tyke," the local Rag Paper.

"Mr. Jones left his umbrella again. I do believe he would leave his head if it were loose."

"I dare say you are right. I heard him say only yesterday that he was going to Colorado for his lungs."

Here is a story about three Scots who went to Euston and asked what time the Night Scot left.

Finding that they had an hour to spare, they adjourned to the buffet. They didn't waste their time there, and after the umpteenth round of drinks one glanced at the clock. They had only seconds left.

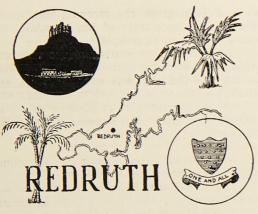
They made a wild rush. Porters bundled two of them into the moving train. One was left behind.

"Hard luck, sir," said the sympathetic porter.

"Hard luck!" echoed the Scot. "You don't know how hard it is. Those two fellows came here to see me off!"

A dentist tells me that a woman called on him this week to have an aching tooth extracted. By way of preparation he administered a local anaesthetic, whereupon she rose from the chair, declared brightly that the pain had gone, and that he need not now take out the tooth, and so departed.

FOOTNOTE.—One effect of the heat wave has been the peeling of the belles.



It is with pleasure that we record a visit from Mr. Bodinnar, a visit which was much appreciated by all employees.

We were pleased to see Mr. Friggens back on a visit from Ipswich, and on his departure again he was presented with a walnut chiming clock, with the best wishes of all for his happiness at Ipswich.

The summer seems at last to have come. As we write these notes the sun shines brilliantly, although there is that refreshing breeze which is so characteristic of our Cornish summers, and the sea is that glorious blue, the memory of which visitors carry with them when they return to Englandfor who does not look upon this county as a foreign land. Cornwall becomes more popullar each year with holiday makers. It offers in its different places attractions to suit the tastes of all. To those whose tastes incline to solitude there are many delightful coves all around the coast which have a seclusion which can hardly be imagined. To those who would go fishing what more can be desired than our Cornish fishing villages-Cadgwith, Mevagissey, Porthleven, and a host of others. If they require river fishing the Fowey river is the place for them. Sheer beauty they will find on the Fal river, and while they are there they certainly should not miss those enchanting creeks which run back from the main river St. Just in Roseland.—the very name conjures up visions in the imagination—Restronguet, and Percuil, to mention only three. While mentioning the last-named we remember that one of the most popular of our British film stars has recently acquired a cottage there. For lovers of antiquity and quaintness the county has much to offer—Tintagel, with its legends of the Knights of the Round Table; St. Ives, with its charming narrow streets, and the fascinating little village of Mousehole. If you, our reader, have not seen Cornwall, you have missed something. Try it and see for yourself.

A.J.C.

What complex and delightful characters are ours! That piece of England—or Britain—which by birth or heritage we consider ours may sponsor but scant praise during our days of toil upon it; yet let the border line be crossed and one might well think of Milton and his immortal "Paradise Lost."

Something, perhaps, of that same spirit which urges those exiles of my own race to celebrate such events as Burns' Anniversary, St. Andrew's Night, Hogmonay, &c., with an enthusiasm and glory never dreamed of at home. That, then, may explain the pride and satisfaction with which about 30 of our factory staff sang:—

Cornwall, Cornwall, the dear old county of Cornwall.

Pasties and cream, tin in the stream, Pilchards and herrings that sparkle and gleam.

Where'er we roam, Cornwall's our home, That dear old county of Cornwall. to every village and town in Devon which

we passed through on our way to Ilfracombe for that long looked-forward-to annual outing!!

It was a wonderful day with nearly 18 hours continual enjoyment and merriment. Starting from Redruth at seven a.m., with the sun shining brilliantly, it was not long before the peace of the morning was shattered by many renderings and variations of well-known songs and good-humoured ribaldry. A slight hitch when our relief driver took the wrong road and we had to turn back; then breakfast at Camelford, which was a great delight and found hearty appetites.

And so through Bideford and Barnstaple to Ilfracombe; delightful scenery and every corner bringing a new and ever beautiful

Pasties of shapes and sizes almost unbelievable made brief appearances from paper bags, and were enjoyed with apparent relish. A "foreigner" might be forgiven for wondering how on earth some of the party ate—and seemed to enjoy—a huge lunch at

Ilfracombe after all these preliminary pasties. Still, several members were fond of announcing they were "tough," and no doubt this is the answer.

Many and varied were the ways in which the afternoon was spent, but, what really mattered, everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy himself. Certainly Ilfracombe provided attractions varied enough for all.

The journey home, occupying with stops over six hours, was one long joy, and it was a very happy party which reached Redruth eventually at one o'clock on Sunday morning.

It is all over now, and we are left with only the memories. But, what memories! That charming blonde, for instance, and her escort who were held up on their tandem at our side in Barnstaple by traffic lights—what must her thoughts have been when our entire party treated her to a full version of "Daisy, Daisy." Her blushing face will long remain in the memory of at least one member of that party.

Or what did the waitress in the rather super-restaurant think when "George" expressed his views at being charged 1s. 6d. for a fish tea in relation to the price of fish and chips at home!



On Saturday, 26th June, the day of our annual outing, we started off 43 strong in two charabancs with a long and varied itinerary before us, knowing that before the day was over that we were to see some of the most beautiful scenery that England can provide. This was not the only thing that made us feel happy, for those of us who had banded together to show that we enjoyed playing as well as working together, knew that

we had been given the morning free from work by the generosity of the Directors to make the day more complete.

At 8.15 a.m. we started off for Newton Abbot, not knowing quite what the weather would do—the sky was overcast with an occasional break of blue—but although we did not see the sun very much we were very lucky in escaping any showers during the day.

We went from Newton Abbot through Bovey Tracey, passing through Moretonhampstead, which lies at the end of one of the most beautifully wooded valleys in Devonshire.

Our first stop was at Okehampton, where we discovered that it was market day, and that we were going to pass through several towns having their markets on a Saturday. We set off again at 10.30. At first it was most surprising to see everybody ready to set off, until we discovered it was too early for refreshments. Our thanks are due to Okehampton, if nowhere else, for helping our time schedule.

The next place was Torrington, and surely this has one of the most old-fashioned of markets to-day; and it makes one realise for how many years a custom can continue in a rural area: whether the custom is a good one or a bad one is another matter, but it certainly is a pleasant sight to see all the farmers' wives sitting behind their little tables, complete with white aprons, selling their produce, from chickens and ducks from the farmyard down to onions and lettuce from the garden.

The drive to Bideford was through very pleasant country, and here we were to have lunch. Bideford has a very wide river running through it, and we understood then how they were able to produce crews that rowed so finely at Totnes and other Devonshire regattas every year.

The lunch was excellent. Mr. Powney said a few words and read a telegram from Mr. Bodinnar—a kind thought indeed, which added a great deal to our day.

Having observed the beauties of Bideford, two in particular attracting the attention of some of the younger members of the party, we were now about to see Clovelly, our first objective.

I do not know any adjective that can describe Clovelly and give a good enough impression of its beauty. It is almost a sin to try to describe such beauty as this, so it

must chiefly be left to the imagination until one can visit this charming and romantic oldworld village running from the tops of the cliffs right down to the sea-shore and harbour: just very steep cobbled steps as the main street, about four yards wide; its cottages, all with verandahs, and looking beautifully clean, surrounded by gorgeous displays of flowers. A wonderfully serene atmosphere caused by the shelter of the bay and cliffs, the whole peaceful and artistic almost to perfection. On the return up the hill some made use of the donkeys which were on hire, but really there was no need for the others to start singing the refrain, "The animals came up two by two.'

It was with great regret that we left and pressed on towards Bude, where we were impressed by the grandeur of the Cornish beauty which lay before us—rugged cliffs and bays, with deep inland stretches of fine sand.

Most of us had tea at Bude before setting off homeward. Tavistock was our first stop after a 35-mile run, and this proved to be a long halt, so that, unfortunately, we missed the beautiful sight of an evening run over Dartmoor, and we had to do this in the dark.

A fine and happy day, and thanks are due to everybody who helped to make it so. T.H.R.



On June 12th, at St. Mary's Church, Calne, Miss Zena Taylor was married to Mr. Jack Simons. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. I. J. Taylor, and wore an Air Force blue costume, with navy blue hat, shoes, and gloves. She carried an ivory Prayer-book.

Both bride and bridegroom were attached to the Office Staff, and were the recipients of

two fireside chairs.

The honeymoon was spent at Ilfracombe.

Genius, in one respect, is like gold—numbers of persons are constantly writing about both, who have neither.—C. C. COLTON.

Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. L. S. JONES.



Mr. L. S. Jones, whose photograph appears above, is the accountant at the Four Counties Bacon Co.

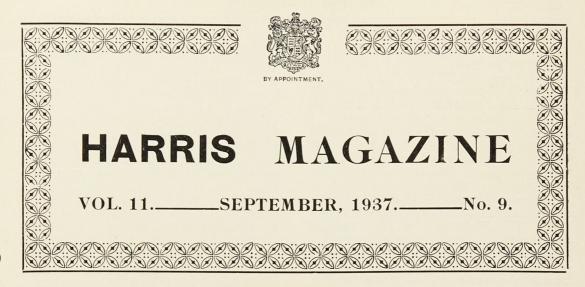
Mr. Jones joined the parent company at Calne, on October 9th, 1916, and was transferred to Eastleigh in January, 1934, when the factory was re-opened.

During the time he was at Calne he was keenly interested in the Brotherhood movement, taking a prominent part in the organisation.

Of a quiet and modest disposition, Mr. Jones is held in the highest esteem and regard by the whole of the employees at Eastleigh.

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a few years the week or fortnight by the sea, with headquarters in rooms or in a boarding-house, may be a thing of the past. Road transport has made the holiday resorts more accessible, and it is now possible to visit many places instead of one. Young people find greater freedom in bungalow settlements, and greater fun in holiday camps, than was possible to the individual living in lodgings by the sea.

Travel organisations make holidays in foreign lands easier and cheaper than ever before, and many who thirty years ago would have considered such a holiday impossible are able to enjoy a visit to the Continent, or even further afield.

Amidst these changing tastes and tendencies, there is one which will do much to preserve national health and mental balance; it is possible that the young people afoot and awheel who are discovering England in a sane and quiet way may be the founders of a steadier and happier period in our national life.

Paradoxically enough, it has been left

to this generation, which is wrongly supposed to possess neither respect nor veneration, to preserve national beauty spots and places of historic interest; at least, those which have not been squandered or destroyed by our forefathers.

The U.S.A., Canada, and New Zealand founded national parks many years ago, and now the National Trust, working along lines suitable to our own requirements, is ensuring the right to enjoy vast tracks of moorland, forest, hill, and mountain by us and those who follow after us. National monuments are not to be neglected and allowed to decay, or, worse still, to be destroyed, and such places as Avebury and Silbury Hill are to be preserved as a constant reminder to every generation that the roots of the present are buried in the far distant past.

Although the two organisations concerned in these movements, the one to discover Britain and the other to preserve its beauty and dignity, are in their infancy, yet the Youth Hostel Association and the National Trust have introduced something into our National life, the full significance of which we do not yet realise.

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Between Ourselves.

OST of those associated with us will have completed their holidays by the time this number is issued. I hope that during those holidays our mutual problems have not weighed too heavily upon them, and that all will have returned with unbounded energy and new vision for the tasks which are ahead.

Some of us were thinking aloud on the occasion of the Calne Flower Show and Sports about the beginnings of the forward movement in our business which took place as soon as the War was over. We reminded ourselves of the old adage, "Great oaks from little acorns grow." We were inclined to think that the great and strenuous movement then made had, as its basis, not only mutual understanding, but the same sort of spirit which has dominated reformers and missionaries throughout the ages. We were the pioneers of a great cause. We realised that we had a name which meant much to those who served under it, and to the distributive trade with which we had to do. A salesman's achievement and a factory's progress were monuments erected on the road of progress that spoke of another bit of ground brought under the kindly empire of the House of Harris. And so progress was made on energetically happy, understanding lines.

There comes a time in the history of all movements when other influences step in. A history of the world's causes will show that progress is sometimes retarded, and that other influences deflect the onward march of some of the forces which set out together. So, from time to time, the policy and direction of a business cause need overhauling; policy may require to be re-shaped; all those who have grown tired because of scanty success need to be re-invigorated. It is said that competition is the best fillip to real progress, but too often do we hear, "We cannot sell this, or we cannot do that because of competition." The traveller may conceivably reach a stage where, by constant refusal on the part of a customer, he is inclined to give up trying. To such I appeal. There is no goal which may not be reached. Get back to the essentials with which we started together. Re-enthuse yourselves, those of you who are on the road, with the

high hopes and loyalties with which you attached yourselves to us. We need you. We need increased turnover from you. Put into play every known ability of brain and personality with which you are endowed. Realise that there are yet within you powers of brain, personality, and moral fibre which have not yet been developed. Examine yourselves in the light of an enquiry as to why you have not been successful with certain lines, when other fellows are putting them over, and give us again the urgent spirit of successful endeavour in intensive work which has assisted us to become what we are in the grocery and provision world.

Do not hesitate to send any suggestions you may have for this job of work which we are going to see through. We have, all over this country, great, properly-fitted, and efficient factories. We have in these factories some who are proud to serve them. There is not a single individual inside the walls of our various establishments who cannot do more than has been accomplished in the past. There is no traveller or van salesman outside these factories, and representing them, who has vet called upon every possible customer within his area and secured business for the Firm. And there are very few customers who are now upon our books who cannot be persuaded to take more of our goods. We are bound to get that additional trade, and this is a clear statement that in these most difficult times it is up to everyone who reads these words to increase their pace and play the game. A "Star Salesman" may mean many things. I can fortunately put my hand on some of them. They can add to their achievements. There are many of you, however, who are too much obsessed by the particular difficulties of your own area. These can and must be overcome, and it is up to you to do it.

We need, and I am out for, a revival of old enthusiasm.

Now, enough said. Get on with the job inside and outside these factories.



The Late Sir J. M. Barrie and Dalys Theatre.

"To die would be an awfully great adventure." So said Peter Pan. Now his creator, Sir J. M. Barrie, has gone upon that big adventure, setting out we may believe with that high courage of which he has spoken to us all.

His passing is a loss to us. First with his novels, afterwards with his plays, he fascinated all those who care to read of or to see on the stage the doings of simple, lovely people living clean lives. He wrote whimsically with grace and lightness. But all the time that he was making his sly fun he was really passing out a message. He would have us believe that life is an adventure to be lived through with steadfast goodhumoured courage, and that it has a purpose and a goal. He would have us believe that life is eternal and love immortal. He would have us hitch the waggon of our lives to the eternal verities.

Barrie lived a long life, and until the end everything he wrote was a tremendous success—until the very last play and that, for some undiscovered reason, failed to catch on. Perhaps he had been away from his public over long. It is sad that it should have failed. Still, however, year by year Peter Pan holds the affection of the people, and still, year by year, in the Christmas holiday season, "A Kiss for Cinderella," will fill the house.

It was within a week or so of Barrie's death that the Press gave notice that Dalys Theatre is to be demolished and replaced by a giant Cinema, to be built up at a cost of around £250,000. The big money now is in the Cinema. But Dalys of all places! What a history! It was here that Ada Rehan, the great American Shakespearian actress held swav. It was here that Sarah Bernhardt amazed and held spell-bound an adoring public. Later, under the management of the late George Edwards, Dalvs became the London headquarters of musical comedy. The "Maid of the Mountains" had a run of almost 1,400. Then there was "The Geisha," "San Toy," "The Merry Widow." Surely the still great Marie Tempest made her first hit here. I forget the detail, but I think London went a bit mad over her song, was it not "The Amorous

Goldfish "? Now all that seems to have had its day and to have passed. Can it be that our new world has so fallen to the din and noise of jazz that melody and harmony have ceased to charm?

It may be that the death of Barrie and Dalys is the definite end of a decade. If so I, for one, deeply deplore this change in taste. It is, however, most certainly true that since Barrie looked out upon the world from his cottage home from the "Window in Thrums" the world has changed in almost every particular. The changes are evident in the homes of the people. Quite recently this changed outlook has been the subject of debate in the Houses of Parliament. In Barrie's early day there was a book which was deemed essential to every properly run house. It was a famous Cookery Book. But now we are told that crowds of people either cannot or will not prepare their foods. They want music out of a tin. They want food out of a tin or a glass, or, at any rate, prepared for them in some way. Any way, except to do the preparing in the home. That, then, is the position. It's the new idea. Very well then, for it gives opportunity which did not always exist.

You may perhaps remember that Barrie wrote a play, "What every Woman Knows." You may also remember that he invented a phrase (if one can call it that), "Little Mary." It is from the title of the play and the phrase that we can look to our objective to fill the great gap caused by the Bacon shortage. People will have prepared foods. Then it is our job to see to it that what every woman knows—it is that the Harris Company offer prepared foods which are of their kind the very best and the very safest for "Little Mary."

So whatever change may bring to us, still out of the change we can keep our end up so that the House of Harris may flourish.

R.E.H.

It is clear that Q.E.F. has intended to give some sort of criticism to my nonsensical contribution in the June issue. I would be very interested to know what is indicated by his (her) last paragraph:—Does he (she) want to talk, or merely give up living?

I did not expect a reply about this GAS problem, and if Q.E.F. happens to be a female it may be advisable for me to METER.

Q.E.D. (c/o Magazine).

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Inter-Departmental Cricket 1937.

THESE games proved very attractive to the many spectators who patronised the events and many thrilling incidents rewarded their attendance. The first game was between the Office and Warehouse and Printing, The latter batted first and made 96, mostly indebted to P. Carter 30, A. Bennett 19, and S. Wood 16 for the fairly respectable score. Replying to this the Office made 125 for six wickets, of which R. Swaffield made 92 and S. Hughes 10 not out. This was quite a one-man show, and in his 92 Swaffield hit fifteen fours. Bowling successes were made by I. J. Taylor 4 for 22, J. Wiltshire 3 for 28, and R. Swaffield 3 for 33 for the Office, and P. Carter 2 for 17, E. Witchell 2 for 36, R. Bailey 1 for 6, and P. Coleman 1 for 8, for the Warehouse and Printing.

The Retort, &c., had an easy task against the Slaughter. Thanks chiefly to 25 by F. Cleverley, 14 by F. Bowyer, and 13 by S. Toogood, the Slaughter made 92 for eight wickets during the allotted time. These runs were knocked off by the Retort without the loss of a wicket, and when time was called 153 for five wickets had been registered on the board. R. King 62, J. Archard 38 retired, A. Sutton 21, and B. Gough 14 were the double-figure batsmen on the Retort side. Bowling for the Retort, J. Archard took four wickets for 17, R. King one for 6, B. Gough one for 19, and A. Sutton one for 32. Those successful for the Slaughter were F. Bowver two for 21, S. Baker one for 9, and W. Smith one for 14.

A very even game was witnessed between the Maintenance and the Boning and Lard, and the former proved victorious by 14 runs. A. Rose contributed a useful 33 not out for the Boning, and he was ably assisted by D. Foxwell with 13. Expiry of time came with the score at 81 for seven wickets. L. Berry two wickets for 3, R. Stevens two for 23, and N. Oliver two for 24 were the bowlers. In compiling 95 for seven wickets, J. Bromham 42 not out, L. Berry 22, and N. Oliver 12 made helpful contributions, and the attack by the Boning showed the following bowling, I. Garraway three wickets for 37, H. Hill

two for 32, W. King one for 1, and B. Webb one for 21.

The most exciting game of the series was when the Maintenance played the Kitchen. Batting first, the former, with R. Stevens making the only double-figure score (18), only totalled 61, and in reply to this the Kitchen, proceeding in a leisurely way, made 29 for one, 34 for two, 38 for three, 49 for four, and 59 for six. Certain victory was in sight with K. Haines (37), who opened the innings, still going strong. Then came a wonderful effort on the part of the Maintenance. Stevens brought off two splendid catches and one off his own bowling which dismissed Haines. H. Smart also had a catch off his own bowling, and all the remaining wickets fell with no more runs added, five wickets down for no runs-an amazing finish. The honours of the match, of course, went to R. Stevens and H. Smart, but the rest of the team played no small part in the victory by their exceptional keenness. Howard Smart had six wickets for 20 and R. Stevens four for 19. Bowling for the Kitchen, R. Goddard had four wickets for five and G. Witchell four for 33.

Another surprise was the game between the Office and Retort, &c. In scoring 80 for five wickets, the Office were mainly indebted to M. Rivers 25 not out, I. J. Taylor 24, S. L. Drewell 17, and A. Winter 11, and this score was not deemed too formidable for the Retort, but I. J. Taylor and S. Drewell were in form with the ball and ran through the side with only 42 runs scored against them. L. Davies (13) was the only player to reach double figures. Taylor had five wickets for 14 and Drewell four for 22. For the Retort B. Gough took four wickets for 37 and R. King one for 23.

The final was played on July 9th between the Maintenance and the Office, and the Maintenance continued their path of glory by bringing out that little extra keenness which, if well directed, invariably leads to success. Batting first, the Office could only score 30 runs against the bowling of R. Stevens and H. Smart, S. L. Drewell, with 13, being the only player to reach double figures. Smart five wickets for 14 and Stevens four for 16 bowled particularly well, and the fielding by the team, in which there was only one regular player, was excellent. Essaying the light task of obtaining 30, two

wickets were down for four runs, but Smart and Stevens, playing sound cricket and taking no risks, slowly but steadily took the score along to 20 before the former was dismissed. Stevens continued, and in making 28 played no small part in the victory his side secured. The innings eventually closed at 60. Bowling for the Office, A. Winter took three wickets for 13, M. Rivers two for none, I. J. Taylor two for 6, P. Gibbons two for 17, and S. L. Drewell one for 12.

The umpires during the series were W. Butler, W. Prior, L. Read, R. Swaffield, and E. Wiltshire, and best thanks are awarded them for their good and efficient services. Also to R. Noad, who gave up his time to score for all the matches.

The success of the matches prompted quite a few to express the opinion what a pity it is that no trophy is at stake in the contest, as most of the other Inter-departmental games have their own particular trophy to encourage interest and enthusiasm, but, of course, there are quite a few others who think that with the king of sports the game itself has in it everything to foster and develop interest, keenness, and the will to win.

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JULY 9th, 1937.

OFFICE v. MAINTENANCE.
It was a noble victory,
Proclaim it all around,
How the spanners beat the pencils
Upon the Lickhill ground.

The pencils did their best to win,
T'was only work in vain,
The spanners simply screwed them down
Then counted up the slain.

Alas for the hopes of the Office side, The Engineer Gangsters gave them a ride.

We batted first with Gibbons, prim, proper and staid,

The score-board will tell you the runs that he made.

Then we had Edwards, it might have been luck,

But the score he made was more than a "duck."

"Still waters run deep," but not so our Rivers, As what he knocked up gave us the shivers.

Now came along Sammy—or rather, S. Drewell,

Badly run out—alas, it was cruel.

Then came a mighty swipe from I. J. Taylor, Was nicely caught, but we went shades paler.

The batsmen came and went out fast, And nothing saved us from Winter's blast.

A short stay was made by Sherby Hughes, It was so very short, he was not in the news.

Stevens was next, whose front name is Ron., Like the last rose of summer, was very soon gone.

When McLean got out, we swallowed great lumps,

He did not Maclean, so they got his stumps.

In came big Swaffield—our side's hopes father,

We ought to have had Junior. Yes, yes, quite, rather!

Our last man in, and not out was Smellie, And our final score made us all yell'ie.

This year I'm afraid our hopes have been blasted,

Still, everyone says "It was fun whilst it lasted."

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The Mersey Tunnel.

(By H. W. HEIGHWAY, Chippenham).

"Me name's Kelly, an' I comes from Doblun, an' I'm sure we'll meet again some time. Indeed I hope so."

"I've many happy memories of Dublin," said I, and Kelly's big smile grew bigger.

I had met him casually—actually imposed my acquaintance upon him in the way I will tell you. Not having been able to see the Mersey Tunnel because foot passengers are not allowed, nor are local buses allowed, and I have no car, there, at the Haymarket, Liverpool, entrance, I stood eyeing longingly each car that drove up to the toll box.

Could I summon up courage to beg a lift through the 11 acres of roadway—that desired two miles of under-river tunnel—or should I again creep away defeated and afraid of my fellow men? This driver looks too proud, that car has ladies, and, horror of horrors, I nearly went to ask a driver and found a solitary lady in the car, and fondly hoped the lady did not notice.

Then came Kelly-I nearly said the glamorous Kelly, and would have but the word is so overworked by film stars that in mercy I refrain. Well, Kelly and I, all alone in our seven million pound tunnel, and he says, "There's four lanes of traffic-you see two in each direction—and if you are on the slow you must not cross over to the fast lane or there will be trouble of all sorts; an' if your car stops for any reason at all you arn't allowed to get out and see to it. Their patrols would be here in a moment. Supposing I had run out of petrol, I would be towed out of the tunnel without doin' a hand's turn, an' then I would be charged double toll. An' thats how ye learn to avoid stopping and holdin' up the traffic."

They used up a lot of light explosives to blast the rock in the river bed. More than half-a-million pounds weight during the five years excavating. The pumps were busy, too. The total amount of water pumped from the workings during construction to October, 1932, was 7,482,000,000 gallons, or 33,400,000 tons.

"The Times" supplement will give you a series of similar figures and statistics that rejoice none but pedants, I suppose. Impressive, but as no-one can possibly remember them, let us take them in small doses.

Let me instead try to tell what the inside of the tunnel looks like. "There is no night in the Mersey Tunnel," says "The Times." Ever illuminated by the most modern, efficient, and unobtrusive lighting system, ideal for the safe and smooth-moving forward of the motorist. Linking the North and South Lancashire and Cheshire in particular and other parts of the country in general. Time saved via the Mersey Tunnel is far reaching when you consider the quicker arrival of private cars and vehicles at their destinations.

And so King George V. opened the Tunnel on 15th July, 1935. The Queen was with him and she has lent her name to Liverpool, inasmuch as the main entrance is called Queensway. Spacious, dignified, and stately, it becomes its name. It is even lovelier at night. A central column, polished black granite, is grossly called a lighting shaft, for it is a gross name to give such a thing of luminous beauty. That's what Mr. Rowse, the architect, calls it, so, as his sense of beauty must be superior to mine, I had better say lighting shaft. Sixty-feet high, faced in polished black granite, and surmounted by gilded bronze lamps in the form of glazed bowls, crowned by decorative pinnacles.

These lighting shafts serve the practical purpose of illuminating the areas immediately around the Tunnel entrance, including the Birkenhead end.

The water lily semblance of these gilded bronze and glazed bowls of light are lovely indeed, especially on a dark, still winter's night.

We have received complaints regarding the sameness of our cricket reports. Ever at the service of our readers, we sent our Special Three Star Reporter to do the first day's play in the match against the Town on July 21st.

His report appears on another page, and, having read same, we flatly and firmly decline to agree with same. Further, knowing the bloodthirsty nature of cricketers generally, and our team in particular, we must decline to reveal the name of the writer.

The Report of the Fur and Feather and Sports, together with the 2nd XI. Cricket are unavoidably held over until next month.

What a Game!!!

N July 21st there met on the fields of Lickhill those hereditary foes, Harris C.C. and the Town. They had previously met twice before this season, and honours were even. That is to say, the Firm had met the Town once and won, and the Town had met the Firm another once, and the Firm had lost.

Great interest was displayed in the rubber. The turnstiles clicked merrily as the crowd rolled up. At least, they would have clicked merrily had there been turnstiles, and had there been a crowd to have clicked them.

It was a typical summer evening, and those who had fur coats wore them with becoming humility. One could but admire the wrap of one of the players—a beautiful cream, decorated with neat green spots that accentuated his Byronically wavy hair.

Punctually, fifteen minutes late, Captain Turner, of the Town, led his men on to the field, leaving Captain Bromham to issue his orders in the pavilion. Captain Bromham, we should mention, recently forsook the placid and easy ways of bachelordom for the hectic sphere of matrimony. He doubtless appreciated to the full the opportunity of giving orders, which must have been a welcome novelty to him. To be able to say to others, "Do this" or "Do that," is a privilege only adequately appreciated by those who, at some time or another, have said, "I will."

Messrs. Swaffield and Bennett opened the innings for the Firm. In the walk to the wicket the stately strides of the former contrasted strangely with the jaunty step of the latter.

We do not propose to give a detailed account of the match. Those who study cricket intensely were doubtless there and saw all those swerves, breaks, drives, cuts, undercuts, tenderloins, rames, and tails, so dear to their hearts. We would, however, mention that amongst the distinguished visitors was Herbie and his canine friend. We are told it is a musical dog, but does not Offenbach!

The first wicket fell at 18. Bennett was out for 1, the referee deciding that one of his legs was where it shouldn't be. Personally, we think he got out solely for the Bennettfit

of the next man in. This was one of the two brothers playing, and there was much speculation as to Witchell make the most runs. This one was Willum, spelt with a "G" (inteet to gootness). A catch dismissed him for 31, which score is the reverse of unlucky. Two wickets were down for 78, and in comes that globular player, Jack-Mr. Bromham to you. He bravely faced the bowling of his newly-acquired brother-in-law and clouted him right and left. One hit went sailing away to the boundary and was lost in the surrounding jungle. After scoring one more than the preceding player "J.B. permitted the wicket-keeper to hold a ball he had previously hit, and he retired, but not before he had treated us to a sneaked run, during which he slid home gracefully on one

With the score-board showing 135 for three, along came Carter, who is well known for his Percyverance. Prior to his departure to the pavilion after a merry 8, Swaffield (Dick) was out and, after gracefully removing his cap in response to the tremendous ovation, he returned to the pavilion. He had made, Pavlova-like, 69, which you may have realised reads the same upside down. Four for 151, and then five for 154.

The next player demonstrated that he wasn't going to be Sut-ton. He proceeded to make a light-hearted 19 before retiring, owing to business reasons. Before this we had seen the coming and going of the other Witchell, who played in Ernest for his two. No doubt he dealt suitably with the cause of his downfall (c sub.), who deputised for one of the Town's players, temporarily indisposed.

It was at this stage of the game, with the excitement intense, that we failed to make notes of the score "how much" for "which." We do know we had a hard Winter, who played the innings of his life, a really marvellous, pulsating performance of 22. With much practice and the careful tuition of that other wonderful batsman—I.J.T.—he may blossom out as a cricketer before he collects his old-age pension.

And so closed the innings for the splendid score of 205, which will give the Town something to do to-morrow. Then—

The curfew tolls the knell of parting day, The lowing herd winds slowly o'er the lea. The batsmen homeward plod their weary way.

The pitch is in pitch darkness, and there's me

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A Wayfarer's Note-Book.

BRUGES.

For many years the old-world town of Bruges has been a favourite haunt of artists and poets. There was a time when the city was of great importance commercially, then after the choking up of the river Zwijn many years ago, practically all its trade went to Antwerp, but the decay into which it has fallen since those times has enhanced rather than detracted from its beauty.

The years have softened and mellowed the tints of every brick and stone, and the traveller at dusk along its narrow cobbled streets seems almost transported to the Middle Ages; an impression rendered more real by the gabled houses with their flickering lights and the picturesque canals which meet him everywhere.

In the heart of the city is a huge market place where the world-famous Belfry towers above everything—a landmark for miles around. It is said to be more than a thousand years old, but whether that is true is a matter of conjecture. Certain it is, however, that it was restored as early as the thirteenth century, and its carillon of 49 bells remains one of the finest extant.



The Belfry at Bruges.

The Cathedral, with its rather forbidding exterior, as well as the more impressive Church of Notre Dame, are worth a visit, for, among other things, the many magnificent paintings they contain.

Electric or steam trams connect Bruges with nearby towns and villages, with much commotion and grinding of wheels as they wind their way slowly through the narrow streets. The coast is not many miles away, and the easily-accessible resorts of Blarkenberghe, Knocke, and Heyst have become very popular, largely owing to their fine sandy beaches and good bathing facilities.

From Bruges canals radiate in many different directions; one connects with Zeebrugge, where blockships were sunk at



A Bruges Canal.

the entrance on that memorable St. George's Day, in 1918. Another leads across the frontier into Holland, to the quaint little town of Sluis, but the water is seldom disturbed by passing traffic, and the tall trees on either bank are reflected perfectly in the stillness.

In all these places the difficulty of obtaining good drinking water is a draw-back, Spa Water, Vichy Water, and other bottled drinks having to take its place. But a stay in Belgium can be very interesting, and is well worth that inconvenience.

WAYFARER.

Men are failures, not because they are stupid, but because they are not sufficiently impassioned.—Struthers Burt.

We are not satisfied to be right, unless we can prove others to be wrong.—WILLIAM HASLITT.

Harris Welfare Association.

FLOWER SHOW AND SPORTS.

In spite of the downpour in the early afternoon, the weather cleared sufficiently to enable the programme of events arranged in connection with the fifteenth Show by the Carnival and Flower Show Section to be carried to a successful conclusion.

On the morning of the show day, Saturday, August 14th, members of various branches made organised tours of the Calne Factories, and afterwards met for lunch, together with the officials and helpers of the flower show, at the invitation of the president of the Harris Welfare Association, J. F. Bodinnar, Esq., who was supported by R. P. Redman, Esq.

After the loyal toast had been honoured the President, in welcoming the visitors to Calne, expressed the pleasure it gave him to meet the managers of all the factories and branches. This welcome was acknowledged by Messrs. G. Coles (London), H. Ludgate (Ipswich), G. Taylor (Eastleigh), F. Gale (Kidlington), W. A. Roynon (Redruth), J. N. Powney (Totnes), A. G. Kidley (Highbridge), W. Culpin (Dunmow), T. W. Petherick (Calne), F. C. Robinson on behalf of the outside selling organisation. A few very acceptable remarks were made by Mr. Redman, and afterwards Mr. W. V. Long (Chippenham) asked the company to drink to the health of the President. The toast was received with musical honours, and in reply Mr. Bodinnar expressed the hope that in these days of perplexity in the baconcuring industry, the vision and zeal which marked the emergence of the Firm to its present nation-wide eminence would be maintained by everyone in its employ.

After lunch the company proceeded to the Recreation Ground, where the flower show and sports were held. Although this season has not been an ideal one for the amateur gardener, some outstanding exhibits were staged in the flower and vegetable classes, and the assessing of points tested the judgment of such experts as Messrs. J. Knight, J. Green, J. Pitts, and S. Spink.

Once again the industrial section was well supported, the entries ranging from jams and jellies to embroidery and darning. Some excellent models, paintings, and other types of handicrafts were staged, making altogether a very creditable display.

The judging of this section was undertaken by Mrs. Bodinnar and Sister Gowan.

The Fur and Feather Exhibition made a successful third appearance this year. Mr. S. J. Rymer and his helpers must feel proud of the progress made by this young branch of the show. Messrs. F. Crofts, J. Freeth, C. J. Spink, and W. J. Young were the judges in this section.

The outstanding feature of the sports programme was the precision with which Kidlington walked away with their opponents in the tug-of-war contests; the inevitable result when opponents are not equally trained and prepared. At the conclusion of the sports Mrs. Bodinnar presented the prizes to all the successful competitors, after which cheers were given for Mrs. Bodinnar and the President.

During the day the annual bowls contest for the Roland Harris Spoons was held, resulting in a win for Calne. It was a matter of regret that Mr. Roland Harris was unable to be present owing to ill health, and a telegram of sympathy was sent by the President, on behalf of the gathering, during the day.

During the afternoon and evening an attractive programme of music was rendered by the Calne Town Prize Band, under the conductorship of Mr. F. A. Fields.

Although the weather was very unkind, the fifteenth show will be remembered as quite up to the average of the previous successful and happy efforts of the Carnival and Flower Show Section.

SECTION 1.—FRUIT.

Class 1.—Six apples, dessert—1, H. W. Duck; 2, B. F. Young; 3, T. Wiltshire.

Class 2.—Six apples, cooking—1, T. Wiltshire; 2, B. F. Young; 3, R. J. Hemmings.

Class 3.—Six plums—1, P. Coleman; 2, B. F. Young; 3, W. J. Young.

Class 4.—Eighteen Gooseberries—1, R. E. Stevens; 2, W. Winter; 3, W. Haines.

Class 5.—Currants, any variety—1, L. A. H. Ambrose; 2, T. Wiltshire; 3, S. Stephens.

Class 6.—Any variety of fruit not shown on schedule—1, A. J. Williams; 3, T. Wiltshire.

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SECTION 2.—VEGETABLE.

Class 8.—Collection of vegetables—1, H. W. Duck; 2, G. Phelps.

Class 9.—Green peas—1, A. J. Williams;

2, G. Phelps; 3, F. W. Webb.

Class 10.—French beans—1, A. H. Gale; 2, Miss K. Brindle; 3, R. J. Hemmings.

Class 11.—Six carrots, long—1, A. J. Williams; 2, A. W. Garraway; 3, P.

Coleman.

Class 12.—Six carrots, short—1, A. W. Garraway; 2, A. J. Williams; 3, P. Coleman.

Class 13.—Six potatoes, round white— 1, A. J. Williams; 2, G. Phelps; 3, P. Coleman; 4, F. Pidwell.

Class 14.—Six potatoes, excluding white—1, W. J. Angell; 2, F. Butler; 3, G.

Phelps.

Class 15.—Two vegetable marrows—1, P. Coleman; 2, H. H. Duck; 3, T. Wiltshire; Class 16.—Three cabbages, cooking—1, W. Winter; 2, S. H. Duck; 3, L. A. H. Ambrose.

Class 17.—Two cabbages, pickling—1, A. J. Williams; 2, W. J. Angell; 3, P. Coleman.

Class 18.—Six turnips—1, H. H. Duck; 2, A. J. Williams; 3, R. J. Hemmings.

Class 19.—Three beetroot, long—1, H. W. Duck; 2, F. Butler; 3, R. J. Hemmings. Class 20.—Three beetroot, short—1, S. H. Duck; 2, R. J. Hemmings; 3, F. Butler.

Class 21.—Twelve onions—1, A. H. Haines; 2, A. H. Gale; 3, G. Phelps; 4, F. Butler.

Class 22.—Collection of potatoes, 4 varieties—1, F. Butler; 2, Henry Bull; 3, G. Phelps; 4, W. J. Angell.

Class 23.—Eighteen broad or long pod beans—1, S. Stephens; 2, L. A. H. Ambrose; 3, F. Butler.

Class 24.—Eschalots—1, R. T. Hemmings; 2, G. Phelps; 3, F. Butler.

Class 25.—Parsnips.—1, W. Winter; 2, F. Rutty; 3, E. Hand.

Class 26.—Lettuce—1, R. J. Hemmings;

2, W. J. Angell; 3, S. H. Duck. Class 27.—Cauliflower—1, A. J. Williams; 2, A. H. Gale; 3, F. Butler.

Class 28.—Three sticks of rhubarb—1, R. J. Hemmings; 2, S. J. Rymer; 3, G. Harris.

Class 29.—Any variety of vegetable not

shown in schedule—1, A. J. Williams; 2, A. H. Gale; 3, G. Phelps.

Class 30.—Six kidney potatoes, white— 1, L. A. H. Ambrose; 2, A. J. Williams; 3, G. Phelps; 4, W. J. Angell.

Class 31.—Six kidney potatoes, excluding white—1, R. J. Hemmings; 2, A. J. Williams; 3, G. Phelps; 4, W. J. Angell.

Class 32.—Two sticks of celery, red—1, R. J. Hemmings; 2, A. J. Williams; 3, G. Phelps.

Class 33.—Two sticks of celery, white— 1, H. H. Duck; 2, G. Phelps; 3, R. J. Hemmings.

Class 34.—Nine heaviest potatoes—1, P. Coleman; 2, A. J. Williams; 3, H. Overv.

Class 35.—Heaviest marrow—1, A. H. Gale; 2, R. J. Hemmings; 3, F. Pidwell.

Class 36.—Dwarf beans—1, R. J. Hemmings; 2, Henry Bull; 3, E. Hand. Class 37.—Tomatoes—1, H. H. Duck;

2, R. E. Stevens; 3, A. J. Williams.

SECTION 3.—FLOWERS.

Class 38.—Cut flowers, 6 bunches—1, W. Winter; 2, T. W. Summers; 3, W. J. Angell. Class 39.—Sweet peas—1, B. A. Webb; 2, H. Overy; 3, F. W. Summers.

Class 40.—Nosegay of sweet peas—1, B. A. Webb; 2, James Tucker; 3, H. Overv: 4, W. J. Angell.

Class 41.—Nosegay of garden flowers— 1, Miss F. Winter; 2, R. E. Stevens; 3, W. J. Angell.

Class 42.—Bunches of cut flowers, perennials—1, F. W. Summers; 2, G. H. Hudson; 3, W. J. Angell.

Class 43.—Six spikes of gladioli—1, W. Winter; 2, R. E. Stevens; 3, F. W. Summers.

Class 44.—Nosegay of roses—1, G. H. Hudson; 2, T. Wiltshire; 3, P. Coleman.

Class 45.—Four bunches of asters—1, G. Phelps; 2, R. E. Stevens; 3, G. H. Hudson. Class 46.—Four bunches of stocks—1, R. E. Stevens; 2, W. J. Angell; 3, G. H. Hudson.

Class 47.—Four bunches of antirrhinums—1, R. E. Stevens; 2, F. W. Summers; 3, W. G. Carter.

Class 48.—Specimen plant—1, W. Winter; 2, Miss F. Winter; 3, H. H. Duck. Class 50.—Three window plants—1, W. Winter.

Class 51.—Six bunches wild flowers—1, F. W. Summers; 2, James Tucker.

Class 52.—Nosegay of wild flowers— 1, R. Tucker; 2, Edwin Cousins; 3, Eric Cousins.

Class 53.—Table decoration—1, Mrs. B. F. Pinfield; 2, Miss B. Trembling; 3, F. W. Summers.

Class 54.—Table decoration, wild flowers—1, Henry Bull.

Class 55.—Display of garden or wild flowers—1, F. W. Summers; 2, W. Winter. Class 56.—Vase of dahlias—1, F. W. Summers; 2, G. H. Hudson; 3, G. Amor.

The Medals, awarded for highest points, were as follows:—Vegetable Section—A. J. Williams, Kidlington; Flower Section—F. W. Summers.

SECTION IV.—INDUSTRIAL.

(Classes 1—4 open to Lady Members of Flower Show Section of H.W.A.)

(Classes 5—22 open to Wives and Mothers of Members of Flower Show Section of H.W.A.)

Class 1.—Jam—1, Miss L. G. Cleverley; 2, Miss Doris Gale; 3, Mrs. M. E. Smith.

Class 2.—Jelly—1, Mrs. Sewell; 2, Miss E. Burchell; 3, Mrs. M. E. Smith.

Class 3. — Marmalade — 1, Miss E. Bowyer; 2, Mrs. Sewell.

Class 4.—Sponge sandwich—1, Mrs. A. Wilkins; 2, Miss E. Burchell; 3, Miss E. Bowyer.

Class 5.—Jam—1, Mrs. J. Cousins; 2, Mrs. A. H. Gale; 3, Mrs. J. Tucker.

Class 6.—Jelly—1, Mrs. E. Hand; 2, Mrs. J. Tucker; 3, Mrs. F. Rutty.

Class 7.—Marmalade—1, Mrs. J. Tucker; 2, Mrs. P. L. Puffett; 3, Mrs. Rymer. Class 8.—Fruit cake—1, Mrs. McLean;

2, Mrs. E. F. Carter; 3, Mrs. E. Hand. Class 9.—Dish of cooked potatoes—1,

Mrs. F. W. Webb; 2, Mrs. R. Taylor; 3, Mrs. G. Cleverley.

Class 10.—Hand-made garment—1, Mrs. Rymer; 2, Mrs. I. J. Taylor; 3, Mrs. Hart. Class 11.—Machine-made garment—1,

Mrs. V. Dolman; 2, Mrs. P. L. Puffett; 3, Mrs. I. J. Taylor.

Class 12.—Darned pair of socks or stockings—1, Miss S. McLean; 2, Mrs. E. F. Carter; 3, Mrs. J. Tucker.

Class 13.—Baby's dress or coat, knitted—1, Mrs. Prior; 2, Mrs. E. F. Carter; 3, Mrs. H. Bull.

Class 14.—Best article made from old garment—1, Miss L. G. Cleverley; 2, Mrs. Henry Bull; 3, Mrs. J. Cousins.

Class 15.—Embroidery—1, Mrs. Sewell; 2, Miss E. M. Park; 3, Mrs. V. Dolman.

Class 16.—Pair of knitted socks for men—1, Mrs. A. McLean; 2, Mrs. G. Amor; 3, Mrs. J. Cousins.

Class 17.—Knitted jumper or pullover for adult—1, Mrs. J. Kirton; 2, Mrs. G. Amor; 3, Miss B. Newis.

Class 18.—Painting—1, H. E. Rutty; 2, C. Haines.

Class 19.—Any article, in metal work—1, Mrs. L. A. H. Ambrose.

Class 20.—Any article, in woodwork—1, C. H. Barton; 2, G. Amor; 3, Miss L. G. Cleverley.

Class 21.—Wool rug—1, Miss K. Brindle. Class 22.—General, any article not included in Classes 18 to 21—1, S. H. Duck; 2, Miss E. M. Park; 3, Miss Jean Rutherford.

Class 22A.—Children, under 12—1, Dorothy Black; 2, Margaret Black; 3, Beryl Rutherford.

Our French Feature.

LA CHARITE.

Dieu dit un jour à son soleil :

"Toi par qui mon nom luit, toi que ma droite envoie

Porter à l'univers ma splendeur et ma joie Pour que l'immensité me loue à son réveil, De ces dons merveilleux que répand ta

De ces pas de géant que tu fais dans les cieux, De ces rayons vivants que boit chaque

Lequel te rend, dis-moi, dans toute ta carrière

Plus semblable à moi-même et plus grand à tes yeux?"

Le soleil répondit en se voilant la face—

"Ce n'est pas d'éclairer l'immensurable espace De faire étinceler les sables du désert, De fondre du Liban la couronne de glace, Ni de me contempler dans le miroir des mers,

Ni de me contemper dans le miroir des mers, Ni d'écumer de feu sur les vagues des airs, Mais c'est de me glisser aux fentes de la

Du cachot où languit le captif dans sa tour Et d'y sécher les pleurs au bord d'une

paupière Que rejouit dans l'ombre un seul rayon du jour.''

"Bien reprit Jehovah, c'est comme mon amour"! LAMARTINE.

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PIGEONS-WILD & EVEN WILDER.

It may interest a select and exclusive band in one of our Departments to learn the correct way of catching pigeons. Varsity Blues can catch crabs, many of us can catch colds, all-in-wrestlers can catch-as-catch-can, but it takes a genius to catch pigeons. Have you ever considered the difference between us lords of creation and the lowly pigeon? The latter, we are told, bills and coos, where—as we coos our bills (especially at quarter-day).

There are many kinds of pigeons—tumblers, rollers, fantailed; blue pigeons, wood pigeons, and would-be pigeons, which are doves. It was this latter which inspired those famous words, "How dove the busy bee." Pigeons have a delicious sense of humour. They delight in laying their eggs on a sloping window sill, in the hopes of catching one of our bald-headed workers at the psychological moment.

To revert to our opening remarks. To catch pigeons one must:—

(1).—Put in a requisition for one pigeon catcher. (This is usually done on a suitable form, which has to be duly signed and witnessed. The witnesses witness in the presence of the signor and in the presence of each other

aforesaid).

(2).—Then a drawing to scale has to be made. (This is not so easy as it sounds. It is much easier to draw our wages than to draw to scale).

- (3).—The drawing is then placed in the hands of the male members of the Watsername Gang. (Care must be taken to see the drawing is placed in their hands right way up. They have been known to do their work on their heads as a result of such errors).
- (4).—In due course, after one has aged considerably, the finished article is produced, beautifully stained and polished and tied up with red, white, and blue (this year only) ribbon. (Like the Israelites of old, who made bricks without straw, it will be found that this splendid article has been made without materials).
- (5).—It is now necessary to cover by insurance, fire, burglary, third party, all-night parties, and loss of prophets.

(There is not much in this, but that is our policy).

- (6).—A derrick is then brought into being, to haul the Catcher to the windowsill, where the pigeons do their laying. (Note this last word is really "laying" and not "lying.")
- (7).—The crooniest of our crooners, or maybe a rural dean, suitably disguised, crouches by the side of the Catcher. Then, after making noises like over-ripe corn, one is caught. (It is not advisable to have any crooners named Charles. History (like radishes) may repeat itself. Remember in days gone by one Charles lost his head, and was never the same man afterwards).

Having caught (or not caught) your pigeon, the next step is to make a pie.

Now to make a pie—

(We think this about all our readers will stand for this month—Ed.)

A note seen :-

"Pigs sent out with both sides."
Rumour hath it that some places, ever to the fore in economy are trying the experiment of sending out pigs with one side.

This may account for the labels we have seen, "This Side up, with care."

* * * * MAUD AND BILL—ON A SILL.

Two dinky little pigeons sat upon a sill, One named Maudie, and one named Bill.

Laugh away, Maudie,

Laugh away, Bill,

When we catch Maudie—we might catch Bill.

The trap it was a home-made one. Neat and very clean,

Did it work? Perhaps it didn't—you ask C D . . .

The trap stood on the window sill, The sun was shining bright.

The pigeons looked at all the corn, And ate it up at night.

All these little poemettes are whispers that I've heard

Of the very special efforts of a gang that got the bird.

Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. F. W. SMITH.



F. W. Smith this year completes 25 years of service at the Totnes Bacon Factory as slaughterman. During the whole of this period he has never had a day's sickness.

He was formerly an employee at the Calne Factory, and with 34 years of unbroken service with the Company, he is a holder of the Firm's Long Service Silver Medal with two Silver Bars.

The pig producers who visit the Factory frequently ask after "Billy," the name by which he is known to his fellow employees. "Billy" is of a jovial disposition and popular with them all.

In his spare time he takes a keen interest in his allotment.

J.N.P.

SMART WORK!

A member of the staff had slight trouble with his car, which necessitated calling out the Fire Brigade. This took place at 10.30 a.m. approx.

By two p.m. the account had been made out and delivered..

Aren't our firemen wonderful!!!!?

Honour the Fire Brigade, Oh, what a charge they made...

Wedding Bells.

A double wedding was celebrated on July 24th, at Rowde Parish Church, when Miss Veronica Sartin was married to Private John O'Donovan, of the 2nd Wilts Regiment. Her sister was the other bride.

Given away by their father, both brides wore gowns of white satin with veils and wreaths of orange blossom, white satin shoes, and carried bouquets of pink carnations. Four bridesmaids were in attendance; two wore dresses of pink parchment silk, elbow length pink silk gloves, pink satin shoes, and head-dresses of silver leaves and pink flowers. Their bouquets were of love-in-the-mist. The smaller bridesmaids' dresses were of pink silk and they carried posies of pink carnations and silver leaves. A small page boy, dressed in brown velvet, was also in the retinue.

Miss Sartin was over five years in the Pie Department and was the recipient of a frameless mirror.

On Monday, July 5th, at Castle Street Baptist Church, Miss Frances Angell was married to Mr. John Bromham, both of them being members of the Firm's staff at Calne.

Miss Angell entered the Office in August, 1924, and during the whole period of service has been with Mr. Carpenter in the Credit Department.

She has been keenly interested in our Welfare Association, particularly in tennis and hockey.

The marriage service was conducted by the Rev. J. J. Wilmshurst, the bride being given away by her father. Mr. G. Dixon was at the organ.

The presents were numerous and valuable, among them being a canteen of cutlery. given the bride by the Calne Office staff, The reception was held at the Lansdowne Arms Hotel, and the honeymoon was spent at Bournemouth.

On July 31st, at St. Paul's Church, Chippenham, Miss Beatrice Ham was married to Mr. Richard Freeth. The wedding was a very quiet one. The bride was in navy blue, and the bridegroom's brother, Mr. Geo. Freeth, was at the organ. The bride and bridegroom were attached to the Office Staff for 22 and 8 years respectively. The gifts from the Office were two arm chairs.

THE BROAD HICHWAY.

We deeply regret having to record the death of Van Salesman H. Bird, who passed away very suddenly on Sunday, the 25th July. Mr. Bird was at work as usual on the Saturday, and also appeared to be in his normal health when he got up on the Sunday morning. Shortly after breakfast he passed away in his chair.

Our very deep sympathy goes out to Mrs. Bird and her two sons in the great loss which they have sustained.

Mr. Bird was with the Firm from the 13th September, 1920, and had been working as Van Salesman in London throughout this period.

The wedding of Mr. E. J. Cartwright took place at Penarth on Saturday, the 17th July. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cartwright for their future happiness.

We are exceedingly sorry to say "Goodbye" for what we hope will only be a temporary period to Miss M. Bernard, who has been having a very anxious time through the very serious illness of her mother.

We sympathise with Mr. W. Dobson Dodds, of Newcastle, and Mr. C. H. Morgan, of London, in the anxiety which has been their lot due to the severe operations which their wives have had to undergo. We are glad to say that both Mrs. Dodds and Mrs. Morgan are making good progress.

We have recently said "Farewell" to Miss B. Ham, on the occasion of her marriage. Miss Ham has been one of the Sales Department typists for the long period of 16 years. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Freeth every happiness.

On Wednesday, the 4th August, we

received a visit from the large staff of Messrs. Baylis & Co., of Reading. After a tour of the factories the party were entertained to tea and later left for the Tidworth Tattoo. It was a very hot day, and the party very much appreciated being able to take their leisure in the grounds of the Woodlands while waiting for the time to come to depart for Tidworth. The grounds are beautifully shady, and although so near the main road they are wonderfully restful and secluded.

Messrs. Baylis & Co. have been customers for over 40 years.

We were very pleased to see Mr. J. F. Kington, of Reading, on the same afternoon. Mr. Kington is now in his forty-eighth year of service with the Company.

Mr. G. S. Campbell, of Leeds, was recently involved in a street accident, where he was successful in preventing a lad on a bicycle from crashing into a car, thereby probably saving his life. Mr. Campbell, however, sustained rather nasty injuries to his leg, which we are glad to say are yielding to treatment.

We are sorry to say that Mr. R. E. Harris is having some trouble with his injured leg, which we hope will only be of very temporary duration. He has to lie up for a week or two.

J.H.G.

Unconscious plagiarism of a most startling character is perfectly common.—Mr. Trevor Watson, K.C.

Ugliness in a man, if it accompanies strength, almost always prejudices one in its favour. His superiors almost never have a feeling of jealousy toward a really ugly man.

—Andre Maurois.

Harris Welfare Association.



1st XI.

Our long spell without a loss came to an end on July 3rd, when Devizes visited us at Lickhill. Batting first, our opponents gathered 194 runs, thanks mainly to the fifth and sixth wicket partnerships, which raised the score from 42 for four to 158 for six. Of our bowlers I. J. Taylor obtained five wickets for 44, P. Carter three for 64, R. Stevens one for 18, and R. Swaffield one for 27. J. Bromham (at the wicket) held two catches, whilst others were made by A. Bennett and K. Haines. Our reply was 133, at which score the last two wickets fell by decisions of l.b.w. with the last over in play. Again two run outs are recorded, and neither the result of brilliant work on the part of our opponents.

| D Crosffield b Ellie | 1 = |
|----------------------------|-----|
| R. Swaffield b Ellis | 15 |
| K. Haines b Ellis | 25 |
| A. Bennett run out | 6 |
| J. Bromham run out | 13 |
| R. Stevens b Gough | 11 |
| B. Gough c Ellis b Perrett | 8 |
| P. Carter c & b Ellis | 23 |
| A. Winter b Ellis | 7 |
| J. Archard not out | 4 |
| E. Witchell lbw b Huntley | 10 |
| I. J. Taylor lbw b Gough | 0 |
| Extras | 11 |
| | |
| | 133 |

HARRIS C.C.

Disasters seldom come singly, and so it appeared when on July 10th we went down again, this time to Calne Town. Two hundred and six for five wickets is a goodly score to contend against, and on this occasion much too good, for we could only muster 38 runs in reply, and 20 of these came from one bat. J. Archard had the distinction of carrying his bat all through the innings.

Our bowling analysis reads:—P. Carter two wickets for 51, S. Drewell one for 30, R. Stevens one for 32, I. J. Taylor one for 48. P. Carter also made two catches.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
|--------------------------|----|
| B. Gough lbw b Parkhouse | 1 |
| J. Archard not out | 20 |

| A. Bennett c Weston b White | 0 |
|-----------------------------|----|
| R. Stevens b White | 7 |
| P. Carter c & b White | 0 |
| E. Witchell b White | 0 |
| S. Drewell b Parkhouse | 1 |
| A. Winter b Parkhouse | 0 |
| H. Smart lbw b Parkhouse | 0 |
| W. Butler b Parkhouse | 3 |
| I. J. Taylor b Parkhouse | 0 |
| Extras | 6 |
| | - |
| | 38 |

The return match with Lacock took place on July 17th, when in a low-scoring game we were victorious by 24 runs. Batting first, Lacock made 93. A wet ball made bowling difficult, a difficulty not experienced by our opponents when their turn to bowl came. Our bowling successes were obtained by R. B. Swaffield four wickets for 26, I. J. Taylor three for 16, E. Witchell three for 22. Catches were made by R. B. Swaffield and A. Winter. Seven wickets were down for 66, and it looked very serious for us, but Witchell, coming in at that moment, courageously went for the bowling and had the pleasure of seeing the winning hit made before he was eventually bowled for 43, a splendid contribution.

A feature of our Cricket is the pleasant games we have with the Calne Town Club, and the frequency of them. The third meeting of the season saw another good win for our club, but the Town were weakened by the absence of R. Parkhouse and A. E. Whieldon. R. Swaffield's 69 comprised 11 fours. In dismissing the Town for 102 we tried seven bowlers, five of whom were successful, viz.:—A. Sutton 3 for 9, G. Witchell 2 for 10, P. Carter 2 for 18, J.

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Wiltshire 1 for 3, and R. Swaffield 1 for 7. Catches were effected by J. Wiltshire, G. Witchell, B. Webb, and A. Winter.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
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| R. Swaffield b Turner | 69 |
| A. Bennett lbw b Turner | . 1 |
| G. Witchell c Horner b Angell | 31 |
| J. Bromham c Horner b Davis | - 32 |
| P. Carter b Bailey | 8 |
| A. Sutton retired | 19 |
| E. Witchell c and b Bailey | 2 |
| A Winter c Eames b Angell | 22 |
| J. Wiltshire lbw b Turner | 0 |
| B. Webb not out | 8 |
| I. J. Taylor c Eames b Angell | 0 |
| Extras | 13 |
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| | 205 |
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The tables were turned in our return match with Wills', of Swindon, at Lickhill, on July 24th. We had the worse of the draw at Swindon, but the best of the draw at home. In our 191 were 37 extras-a rather annoying number, seeing we had the county wicket-keeper behind the stumps. I. Bromham's 42 not out was a return to form we had been hoping for. Wills' lost six wickets for 96 when stumps were drawn. A. Winter spectacularly ran out E. M. Nash by a brilliant return to the wicket. Catches were held by R. Stevens and R. Swaffield. Nine bowlers were tried (there was still another untried), but only three were successful—J. Taylor 3 for 24, A. Sutton 1 for 5, and P. Carter 1 for 18.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
|---------------------------|-----|
| R. Swaffield b Salway | 38 |
| B. Gough lbw b Easton | 17 |
| J. Bromham not out | |
| R. Stevens c Nash b Joy | 8 |
| A. Sutton st Nash b Joy | 4 |
| J. Wiltshire lbw b Salway | 12 |
| S. Drewell b Eaton | 16 |
| P. Carter b Salway | |
| A. Winter b Eaton | 1 |
| E. Witchell b Eaton | |
| I. J. Taylor b Salway | |
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| | 101 |

A very keen game was witnessed on July 28th and 29th, when we played Goatacre at Lickhill. Excellent bowling and fielding on the part of Goatacre brought a deserved win. Batting first, we made 87, our second

lowest score of the season. Against this our opponents were allowed to make 115, a couple of chances not taken helped considerably. A Winter and G. Witchell, however, made no mistake with their catches. Our successes in the bowling department were I. J. Taylor 4 for 30, R. Swaffield 4 for 40, and G. Witchell 2 for 16.

| o, and d. Witchell 2 for 10. | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| HARRIS C.C. | |
| R. Swaffield c Matthews b Comley | 4 |
| K. Haines c Garlick b K. Iles | 16 |
| J. Archard b E. V. Iles | 4 |
| G. Witchell c Garlick b K. Iles | 23 |
| A. Bennett c K. Iles b Goodway | 6 |
| A. Winter b K. Iles | 20 |
| E. Witchell b Goodway | 1 |
| I. J. Taylor b Goodway | 0 |
| R. Goddard not out | 11 |
| R. Bewley b Goodway | 2 |
| W. Butler b Goodway | 0 |
| | _ |
| | 87 |

The August Bank-holiday week-end depleted our rank of available members and we were glad to call in the aid of our friends of the Town Club, and, thanks mainly to them, we defeated Chipping Sodbury, at Chipping Sodbury, on July 31st, by 29 runs.

In getting our opponents out for 104 we were indebted to R. Parkhouse 4 wickets for 6, F. I. Nash 2 for 5, B. Gough 2 for 14, and P. Gibbons 1 for 1. J. Bromham stumped one and I. J. Taylor made a fine one-handed catch high in the air. A. E. Whieldon batted well for his 53, which included a six and nine fours. The result was in doubt right up to the coming of the ninth man, and this player, E. Witchell, used the long handle effectively and was able to hit the winning hit. B. Gough played admirably at a critical stage.

| HARRIS C.C. | |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| R. Swaffield c and b Turner | 3 |
| K. Haines b Phipps | 5 |
| | 53 |
| R. Parkhouse run out | 10 |
| J. Bromham b Turner | 14 |
| J. Archard b Turner | - 0 |
| P. Gibbons b Phipps | 5 |
| F. Nash b Phipps | 0 |
| B. Gough not out | 12 |
| E. Witchell c and b Turner | 15 |
| I. J. Taylor c Turner b Phipps | 4 |
| Extras | 12 |
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Friends Elsewhere.



It is with very much regret we have to record the death of one of our retired friends, Mr. Charles Collins, on Tuesday, 27th July.

"Charlie," as he was generally known, was of a very genial and happy disposition, and during his 25 years' service with the Company was always popular with his colleagues on the Factory staff. He was placed on the retired list nine years ago.

The funeral took place at the Cemetery, London Road, Chippenham, on Saturday, 31st July, and the following members of the Factory staff attended, Messrs. T. H. Bullock, J. Dight, E. Taylor, F. Newman, and C. Pinnell (retired).

W.V.L.

CHIPPENHAM HOSPITAL CARNIVAL.

It was most gratifying to all at Chippenham that our entry in the Carnival procession this year was awarded first prize in its class.

The Welfare Committee spent considerable time in deciding the best way to advertise our many products, and eventually it was agreed that our exhibit should be entitled

"A GLIMPSE INTO THE FUTURE."

After much planning we were able to arrange our lorry with a pig gazing at two sides of bacon, surrounded by lard and small goods. In the corner sat the farmer, this role being ably taken by Mr. G. Hazell, who proved to be a very attractive farmer, and gave a final touch to our display.

Our thanks are due to many who worked so hard to make it successful.

A most interesting evening was spent on Friday, 16th June, when a bowls match

between the Factory and Office Staffs was played in John Cole's Park.

We understand this is the first occasion that some of the Factory members have attempted to play this ancient game, and although the Office proved to be superior, the Factory were in no way disgraced, and when the return match is played we are certain the Factory will be able to provide more opposition.

| RINK No. 1. | RINK No. 2. | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| FACTORY. | OFFICE. | | | | | | |
| H. Smith | E. C. Yeates | | | | | | |
| J. Weaver | J. G. Hooper | | | | | | |
| J. Baker | P. B. Coward | | | | | | |
| F. Church 9 | W. V. Long 32 | | | | | | |
| RINK No. 3. | | | | | | | |
| FACTORY. | OFFICE. | | | | | | |
| L. Turner | P. B. Heath | | | | | | |
| J. Burchell | C. H. Watts | | | | | | |
| W. Clark 11 | B. F. Pinfield 29 | | | | | | |
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CRICKET.

The return match with the Five Alls Sports Club was played on Saturday, 17th July, 1937, and we were able to prove once again our superiority over our opponents, who on this occasion lost both innings.

| ROYAL W | VILTS. | | FIVE ALLS. |
|-------------|--------|----|------------|
| 1st Innings | | 40 | 29 |
| 2nd Innings | | | 28 |
| | | | W.H.W. |

HARRIS 2nd XI. v CHIPPENHAM, AT CALNE.

(By a Chippenham Spectator).

Chippenham was very pleased to have the opportunity of playing Harris' 2nd XI. on their ground at Lickhill, on Friday, 23rd July, 1937.

Calne won the toss and went in to bat. Witchell soon set about our bowling, hitting hard all round the wicket. Sawyer claimed our first wicket when the score was 18, and Williams took the next, but when Goddard and Witchell came together they gave our bowlers an anxious time and added no less than 60 runs before Witchell was out, having made 61. Calne declared at the end of this over with the score at 113 for three wickets.

Chippenham did not open too well. Clifford never settled down and was bowled, and Weaver, after cracking a four and a three, soon followed. It was not until T. Williams arrived that our hopes were raised. He soon set about the bowling, and although not

hitting with H brough valuable at this fast one were on his eye the wir Out for the Comming Scores:

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hitting as hard as Witchell, his understanding with Heath in running between the wickets brought them many runs. Heath made a valuable 20 before he was bowled. The light at this period was very bad and Wiltshire's fast ones were hard to see. Lem and Yeates were out to his bowling, but Williams had his eye in and had the satisfaction of hitting the winning run.

Our thanks are due to the Calne team for the sporting game, and also to the Committee for lending us their equipment. Scores:—

| Calne | Chippenham |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| G Witchell c Rowe b | G Clifford b Witchell 3 |
| Sawyer 61 | J Weaver c and b |
| W Smith hit wkt b | Wiltshire 7 |
| Sawyer5 | H Timberlake b Wilt- |
| S Wood b Williams 3 | shire 6 |
| R Goddard not out 34 | F Sawyer c Butler |
| H Flay not out 4 | b Witchell 0 |
| Extras 6 | T Williams not out 60 |
| | P Heath b Goddard 20 |
| | R Simpkins c King |
| | b Witchell 5 |
| J Wiltshire, M Rivers, | A Lem b Wiltshire 7 |
| W King, R Bewley E | E Yeates b Wiltshire 0 |
| Wiltshire, and A Butler | A Taylor not out 2 |
| did not bat. | Extras 11 |
| | H Rowe did not bat. |
| | _ |
| 113 | 121 |
| | E.C.H. |

On 30th July, Chippenham took two teams to Calne, representing the Married Men versus the Single, to play cricket on the Harris Sports Field.

The Singles batted first, Simpkins 50 and Yeates 20 gave them a good start, and Helps followed with a 43. The "tail," however, started at No. 4, and the Singles total closed at 164.

The Married men set about their task very well, and Weaver and Taylor scored quite fast, but after these two batsmen were dismissed there was only Timberlake who met with any success against the Singles' bowling, and the last wicket fell at 103, thus giving the Singles victory by 61 runs.

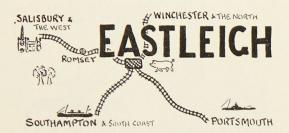
Both the teams would like to take this opportunity of thanking Mr. Bodinnar for his kindness in granting them the use of the Sports Ground, pavilion, and equipment.

Thanks are also due to Mr. Swaffield and Mr. Butler, who very kindly umpired the match.

E.C.H.

The best way to gain a good education is to read newspapers.—Henry Ford.

I do not believe that Englishmen like to be conspicuously dressed.—Mr. Duff Cooper.



The annual Staff Outing, fixed for Saturday, July 3rd, had been looked forward to with much pleasure, and with Brighton as the venue, we were assured that whatever the weather, a good time was in store. It was a lovely morning when the party entrained, but there was one cloud in the air, as Bill Jannaway, who was to have been one of the party, met with a nasty motor accident on his way home from work on the previous evening, and was removed to hospital. We were assured, however, that Bill was comfortable, so we set forth. Brighton was reached at 11.30, and after a short tour lunch was served at the Aquarium Restaurant. Everyone did justice to a good meal, after which the party broke up and went their various ways, sight-seeing and having a good time, all meeting at the station for the return journey at 9.30, and arriving back at Eastleigh at one a.m., feeling tired, but pleased after having such an enjoyable day.

We are sorry that Mrs. F. Martin has been operated upon at the Winchester Hospital, but we are glad to know that she is making good progress.

It is good to know that Bill Jannaway is making good progress after his motoring accident, and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Anon.

The value of our Merchant Navy was clearly shown at the Merchant Navy Week Exhibition, held at Southampton Docks, July 17th to 24th.

On entering the exhibition we arrived at the full size model of a ship's bridge, fully equipped with officers, to explain the uses of different instruments, &c. From there we went to see the wonders of the G.P.O. In the "he warms you" section, the coal-mining apparatus all made to scale, showing the preparations of cleaning and grading for

market, and the treatment to obtain byproducts. In the food section a wonderful selection of fruits, tea, coffee, sugar, rum, tobacco, cereals; in fact, all productions of India, South Africa, Canada, Tasmania, New Zealand, Australia. From there we went to the display area and saw a delightful athletic display by the boys of the T.S. "Arethusa," accompanied by the boys' own band.

In the "he protects you" section, an array of weapons of war was illustrated by seamen—mines, torpedoes, guns, depth charges, &c., which the Merchant Seamen had to use and face, also pictures of convoys, and merchantmen in action against enemy craft.

In the Clothes Section, we saw the raw materials and the processes through which these materials pass, to supply us with the finished article.

From there we made a tour of the Battleship "Revenge," lying alongside the Quay, depicting a true protector of our Merchantmen. There were othere exhibits, too numerous to mention, but it all went to prove that without our Merchant Service England would indeed be in a very bad way.

READER.



The thoughts of all at Highbridge are now on our forthcoming Show and Sports, on Saturday, 7th August, and it is hoped that it will prove a successful and entertaining event for all our friends.

We have to record this month two pleasing events. The first, the birth of a second daughter to our esteemed Manager and Mrs. Kidley, on the 11th July, and to Mr. "Bob" and Mrs. Hooper a son, on the 23rd June. We are glad to be able to say that mothers and children are progressing favourably, and the congratulations of all at Highbridge are extended.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Bill Gunningham is again on the sick list, and we all hope he will soon be fully restored to health and strength.

Our news this month is very sparse, but we hope to make up next month when we shall have more news.

R.C.L.



Hope you all have had a glorious holiday! It has been said that mental strain is less easy to alleviate than physical strain. There is the thought that while the factory workers of the north enjoy thoroughly the stir and frenzy of Blackpool nights, and make a hectic week of it, the place to look for Cabinet Ministers, Judges, and people carrying almost unendurable burdens of responsibility is by the quiet gurgling rivers, the moors, the islands of Western Scotland, the Downlands, or Cotswolds. In whichever category you are, we at Leeds do hope that you found refreshment and joy in your spell of rest and recreation.

Last month the writer had the great pleasure of meeting friends and colleagues at Calne, and would like here to say how helpfully and generously he was received by everyone. He was impressed by the calm spirit of courage in face of difficulties, and by the happy fellowship everywhere evident. It was nice to be told by your Editor that the notes we try to compose as we burn our midnight oil are still welcome. But at London we got a gentle hint that they enjoy best the little tales we relate, and even dialect stories.

Being merely Scots—furriners in these parts—it is only fair to admit that the tales related in script could not be always spoken in words of Yorkshire dialect. This reminds us of the well-known trait of modern infants who invent those ingenious schoolroom howlers so as to see their names in print. Yet an honest father, living in Llandudno,

vouches for the truth of the statement that his English daughter, attending a Welsh school, surprised her family by saying, "We are learning that Scotch song which begins, "Maxwelton braces are bonny." This may be a sign of the spread of Scottish culture in Wales, but incidentally, also, seems to throw light on the ancient mystery of the kilt.

Joking aside, though, these Scots are incorrigible. They can stand anything, and never feel embarrassed. For example:—

It was late at night: the taxi had just pulled up to the kerb and McTavish got out and began fumbling in his pocket. At last he handed the driver a coin.

"I have known gents what gives a bit

over," grumbled the taxi-driver.

"Ay," said McTavish, "That's why I

asked you to stop under a lamp."

That one came from Shanghai. You see they are everywhere.

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The other day we were interested to come across the following paragraph, and we are wondering if the English pigs are bristling

with indignation.

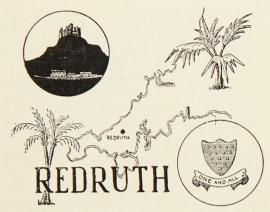
"It appears that we are faced with a famine in bristle brushes, and that soon there will not be enough bristles 4ins. long to go round. This is not because all the brushes are needed to paint battleships, nor because of price-fixing by any brushmakers' combine. It is because most pigs' bristles used to come from Russia and Siberia and the Soviet pigs are losing their bristles and becoming bald all over."

"This must not be taken as any Bolshevik propaganda, nor are the pigs Trotskyites. The truth is that they are being bred for better bacon. Instead of using their strength to produce bristles they are using it to get fat. Now that the Russian peasant is getting a thicker gammon rasher we are finding it difficult to paint our houses, and, according to the brush industry, the only solution is the discovery of a synthetic bristle."

G.S.C.

No other passion is so fatal to the pursuit of truth as fanatical partisanship.—Dean Inge.

An error cannot be believed sincerely enough to make it a truth.—R. G. INGERSOLL.

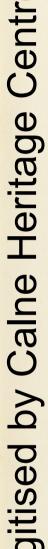


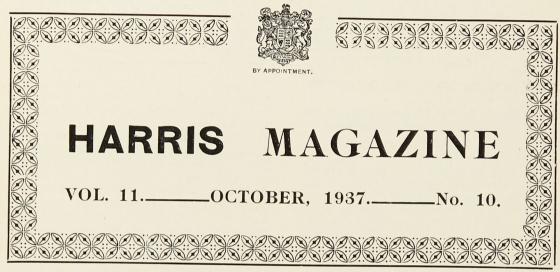
The annual Show of the Redruth Exhibition Society was held on the 7th and 8th July. Last year the weather was particularly unkind and attendance dropped to an alarming degree, the final result showing a heavy loss. This year, however, the weather made up for its lapse, and was brilliant. Entries in most classes were good; one or two classes even showed a record entry.

The attendance on the first day was again very poor, but a good crowd was present on the second day. Until this year it had been the practice to engage the band of the Grenadier Guards and other well-known bands, but this year it was decided to depart from this custom and the Redruth and Camborne Bands were engaged, and they did certainly justify their engagement. The performance of both bands was excellent, and the concerts each evening were fairly well attended.

Despite the economies exercised and the increased entries, it is feared that the final result of the show will again show an adverse balance. It is a pity that these local shows, which at one time were such great attractions, should be allowed to lapse, but it seems an almost inevitable conclusion if the support which is so well deserved is not given to them.

The mock war which was waged during July between "Redland" and "Blueland" caused great interest in Cornwall. Some of the aircraft which was engaged in the "war" was seen reconnoitring over the coast near Redruth, and destroyers and the aircraft-carrier, "Courageous," were seen at Falmouth.







THE holding of the annual meetings of the various Sections of the Harris Welfare Association reminds us that summer time is ending and the new year of the H.W.A. is about to begin.

We trust that the successful season experienced by the Cricket and Tennis Sections will inspire our Hockey teams to increased efforts during the winter months.

Useful as the Club House, at the Woodlands, has been during the past two seasons, as a rallying point for the various efforts of the Association, it is still capable of fuller and more systematic use.

Thanks to the work of the Games Committee the billiards, table tennis, and recreation rooms are fully occupied during

the season, and the Skittle Section, with its up-to-date alley, is a complete success.

A sprinkling of new faces drawn from our older members would be welcome. It would not be impossible to break away from the home fireside and visit the Woodlands sometimes and either join in the games or take a chair in the lounge and read for a while. Their presence would be appreciated by the management as a sign that the work of the Association was making an appeal to older as well as younger members.

In conclusion, we hope that the secretaries of the various Sections will keep us well informed regarding their work, so that suitable notice may be taken of it in our pages.



A MESSAGE TO THE HARRIS MAGAZINE.

From Mr. J. R. Rymill, the Leader of the British Graham Land Expedition, 1934-1937.

THERE have been many recent expeditions to the Arctic, but the British Graham Land Expedition was the first British one to winter in the Antarctic for the last 20 years, and we were quite the smallest which has ever set out from this country, as there were only sixteen of us altogether. Our main object in going was to explore a vast area of country which lies to the South of South America and was, until the Expedition went there, the largest unknown stretch of country in the world, with a coastline of some 2,000 miles. No ship had been able to reach it, because of the heavy pack ice which guarded its shores; a good many had tried, and several of them had actually been crushed in the ice. One was Shackleton's "Endurance," which was crushed in the pack ice of the Weddell Sea in 1915.

The only information which we could get about the country was that brought back by Sir Hubert Wilkins, after two aeroplane flights, which he made from positions well to the North of this unexplored region. After he returned he reported that Graham Land was split up by several large channels, the largest of which he named Stefannson Strait.

So, on the strength of these reports, we planned to push our ship as far as possible down the West coast of Graham Land, and then establish a base on shore. From this base we hoped to travel by means of dog sledge, backed up by aeroplane flights, through these large straits to the East, and also to the West, along this unexplored coastline.

In spite of support from the Colonial Office, the Royal Geographical Society, and many generous firms, our funds were very limited, so when we sailed from London in

September, 1934, the ship, "Penola," was manned entirely by amateurs, except for two Naval officers who acted as Captain and Chief Engineer.

We were finally successful in establishing a base on the West coast of Graham Land, much further South along this coast than any ship had ever been able to get before, and from this base we made long dog sledge journeys, some of them lasting for over 11 weeks at a time, into this hitherto completely unknown country. In $2\frac{1}{2}$ years' work we were able to explore and survey about 1,000 miles of coastline, most of which consisted of high mountain ranges, rising to about 8,000 or 9,000 feet. These mountains made magnificent scenery, with great exposed rock peaks, separated by large glaciers flowing down to the sea.

The "Penola" arrived at the Naval Dockyard, Portsmouth, in August, and we now have about a year's work ahead of us in working up the results which we have brought back.

Mr. J. R. Rymill, leader of the British Graham Land Expedition, 1934-37, to whom we are indebted for the above outline of the aims and achievements of this Expedition, informs us that the bacon and lard, which we had the pleasure of supplying, kept in perfect condition while travelling out through the tropics, and then for the two Winters which were spent in the Antarctic.

It is stimulating to realise that Englishmen are still willing to undertake pioneering work which is not unassociated with privation and danger.

In welcoming home the Expedition we also include our congratulations upon the successful termination of the adventure.



"The Game goes on."

WING to developing a spot of arthritis in my bad leg I was unable to attend the Calne festivities.

The annual Bowling match, Calne and London, was played, but, as London could only raise three players, the match was played off as a triple.

Calne was represented by A. Haines, F. Gale, and A. Boase, and London by F. C. Robinson, J. C. K. Perkins, and G. Coles. The result was similar to previous years—Calne 27, London 15. I had thought that my absence would help London rather than hinder, and that three fit men would make a better show than three fit men and a cripple. But, as will be seen, the match went as usual. I wonder if London can ever win on the Calne green.

Personally I have not done much bowling this season, and have not played any game at all on a plain green. Results of what has happened to Watford players this season goes to show the great difference there is between Cumberland turf and plain green. My Watford Club entered a rink for the Herts Championship, and went out in the first round. We were drawn against a small club at Hemel Hempstead and had to play off the heat there. It is a plain green, and our men lost 21—20. A return match was arranged and played off on our Cumberland turf green. We scored 35, the other fellows 6.

At Watford we have two players who make holiday every year by going to play in the leading seaside tournaments. In four years these two-Ginger and Pickeringhave won the tournament at Eastbourne, then at Hastings, and this year at Herne Bay. I don't know what happened to them in the other year. Eastbourne, Hastings, and Herne Bay are all very large clubs with first-rate Cumberland turf greens, and there is nothing at these places which has to be found out by visiting players. The greens are just as we find them at Watford. Of course, Pickering is well known, and was for a time the English skip. His partner, Ginger, lives up to his name. On the bowling green, and in his job of work, Ginger is hot stuff. He is the treasurer to the Borough of Watford.

I gather that there is an idea to extend the scope of our annual match by bringing in some of our branches. I am thinking this plan, if it can be put into action, will make the game much more interesting. If, for example, London could meet Chippenham on the Calne green, both sides would then start equal. We cannot get at the real merits of the play in any other way, for it would not unfortunately be possible to play home and away fixtures between London and Calne.

R.E.H.

PICKLING TIME IS HERE.

Autumn is the time for pickling. Here are three pickles which are ready for immediate use:—

APPLE PICKLE.

6lbs. apples, prepared as for a tart.

2 or 3 onions, sliced very finely.

1oz. ground ginger, ³/₄oz. turmeric, ¹/₂oz. mustard.

A few pepper corns, 4 chillies, 6 cloves.

¹/₂lb. sugar, 3 pints vinegar.

Put the apples and onions on a large dish. Sprinkle with salt, let stand for twelve hours, then drain for two hours. Boil the vinegar, sugar, and spices for ten minutes, add the apples and turmeric, boil for twenty minutes, or until apples are tender without breaking. Pot and tie down similar to jam.

GREEN TOMATO PICKLE

Cut up 5lbs. tomatoes and 5 or 6 medium-sized onions.

Cover with salt and let them drain for 24 hours, then put them into a stewpan with 2ozs. mixed spice, including root of ginger, long pepper corns, mustard seeds, cloves, and a few chillies, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. brown sugar. Cover with vinegar. Simmer for 20 minutes or until tender. Small tomatoes are best.

VEGETABLE MARROW PICKLE.

1 large young marrow.

Peel, take out seeds and cut into dice. Sprinkle with salt and let stand for 12 hours, then drain for two hours.

Boil 2 quarts vinegar, 1oz. ground ginger, ³4lb. loaf sugar, a few chillies, 3 or 4 shallots, and a little cayenne pepper for ten minutes. Add marrow and 1oz. turmeric and boil again for 20 minutes..

Unless you like it hot only put $\frac{3}{4}$ oz. turmeric and about 4 chillies.

ELIZABETH.

Centre Calne Heritage Digitised by

H.W.A. Annual Flower Show.

We give below list of prizewinners in the Fur and Feather Exhibition and the Sports Section, unavoidably held over from our September issue.

FUR AND FEATHER SECTION

Class 1.—Heavy Breeds, male bird, adult—1, A. Weston; 2, A. Puffett; 3, S. J. Clark and John Duck.

Class 2.—Heavy breeds, male bird, bred 1937—1, G. H. Dolman (best in Classes 1—8); 2, P. G. Davis; 3, P. G. Davis.

Class 3.—Heavy breeds, female bird, adult—1, Walter Angell; 2, G. H. Dolman; 3, A. Puffett and A. G. Little.

Class 4.—Heavy breeds, female bird, bred 1937—1, G. H. Dolman; 2, G. H. Dolman; 3, H. Duck.

Class 5.—Light breed, male bird, adult—1, Walter Angell; 2, S. J. Clark.

Class 6.—Light breeds, male bird, bred 1937—1, Frank Pontin; 2, G. H. Dolman.

Class 7.—Light breeds, female bird, adult—1, Walter Angell; 2, S. J. Clark.

Class 8.—Light breeds, female bird, 1937—1, Frank Pontin; 2, Frank Pontin; 3, A. G. Little.

Class 9.—Bantams, male or female—1, Walter Pullen; 2, P. G. Davis; 3, P. G. Davis; vhc, John Duck.

Class 10.—Duck or drake—1, John Duck; 2, H. Duck; 3, H. Duck.

Class 11.—Pigeons, fancy, male—1, F. I. Nash; 2, J. Burgess; 3, A. T. Lem; vhc, A. W. Garraway.

Class 12.—Pigeons, fancy, female—1, F. I. Nash; 2, A. T. Lem.

Class 13.—Pigeons, homers, male—1, A. T. Lem; 2, Herbert Webb; 3, A. T. Lem; vhc, H. Brittain.

Class 14.—Pigeons, homers, female—1, A. T. Lem; 2, H. Brittain; 3, A. T. Lem. vhc, Herbert Webb.

Class 15.—Cage bird—1, H. Mennell; 2, G. Cleverley; 3, Mrs. E. M. Sewell; vhc, G. Cleverley.

Class 17.—Rabbit—1, H. Duck; 2, H. Duck; 3, H. Duck.

Class 18.—Children's pet—1, Anthony Newis; 2, Douglas Smart; 3, A. W. Garraway and A. G. Little; vhc, H. Duck.

Class 19.—Any exhibit by Wife of Member—1, Mrs. Walter Angell; 2, Mrs. P. J. Clark.

Class 20.—Eggs, brown—1, Miss K. Brindle; 2, G. W. Green; 3, Frank Pontin.

Class 21.—Eggs, white—1, A. H. Gale; 2, W. J. Young; 3, Miss K. Brindle.

Best bird in Classes 1 to 8—G. H. Dolman, silver spoon, presented by T. W. Petherick, Esq.

Best exhibit in Class 18—Anthony Newis. Best exhibit in Class 19—Mrs. Walter Angell.

Best canary in Class 15—H. Mennell. Best budgerigar in Class 15—G. Cleverly. SPORTS.

Inter-departmental relay race, ladies—1, Office; 2, Kitchen.

Inter-departmental relay race, men—1, Office; 2, Boning.

Mile cycle race, boys—1, J. Burgess; 2, J. Duck.

440 yards, men-G. Warne.

Sack race, ladies—1, J. Haddrell and J. Ellery (dead heat); 2, J. Duck.

100 yards, boys—J. Brimmer. High jump—G. Warne.

Three-legged race—1, M. McLean and B. Newis; 2, D. Adams and M. Slade.

Sack race, men—1, G. Warne; 2, R. Bailey.

100 yards—1, G. Warne; 2, R. Swaffield. 220 yards, boys—D. Brimmer.

Veteran's race—1, C. Shier; 2, H. Hill. Inter-factory tug-of-war — Kidlington beat Calne and Dunmow.

Half-mile race, men—1, K. Cousins; 2, M. Rivers.

Long jump—G. Warne. 80 yards, ladies—1, M. Slade; 2, M. McLean; 3, J. Duck.

Egg-and-spoon race, on cycles—1, R. Noad; 2, G. Warne; 3, V. Reed.

Medley relay race—1, B. Newis, J. Haddrell, R. Swaffield, and C. Beaven; 2, J. Ellery, M. McLean, J. Reeves, and M. Rivers.

Inter-factory relay race—1, Calne; 2, Chippenham.

Musical chairs, on cycles, men—1, G. Warne; 2, R. Woods.

Children's race, boys under 12—D. Bowyer.

Children's race, girls under 12—1, M. Hart; 2, I. Wheeler.

Mile cycle race—1, J. Burgess; 2, G. Warne.

Musical chairs, on cycles, ladies—B. Newis.

Race for children of members, boys over 12—E. Hillier.

Inter-departmental tug-of-war—Boning.



Mr. Bodinnar presenting Medal for the highest number of points in the Vegetable Section to Mr. A. J. Williams of Kidlington.



A close finish in the 100 yards flat race.

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Photographic Notes.

IDEAS FROM PICTURE POSTCARDS

BUT MAKE YOUR SNAPS REAL PICTURES INSTEAD OF MERE RECORDS

It is a pity to pass by a good subject for a picture merely because "it is on all the picture postcards" and "everybody takes it"

Although many picture postcards show really fine photographs, usually they are uninspired views of ancient buildings and local beauty spots. The amateur's photographs of picture postcard subjects should reflect something of his own personality and character. The aspect of the subject chosen by the picture postcard maker may not appeal to him at all. It may be so familiar to him as to breed indifference.

Use Your Imagination.

Yet with a little imagination the novice can make a really artistic picture of the most hackneyed subject. He can photograph the scene from the queerest angles. Picture postcards of the Tower at Blackpool soon pall, but take a photograph from the top of the scene below and it will be full of interest. The people will look like flies and the cars on the roads like children's toys.

These high view points will often raise picture postcard subjects out of the common-place. A good picture of the bathing pool at Scarborough was taken during a climb up

· Old buildings or monuments will often make attractive pictures as they are seen from the roof or balcony of a neighbouring house, and good photographs can be taken from the top of a stationary 'bus.

Besides taking familiar subjects from new angles the amateur should experiment with unconventional lighting effects. The most familiar scenes wear an air of mystery in the early morning light, and places which look ordinary on picture postcards, where they are probably seen in full sunshine, may assume an entirely different character by night.

Don't be Frightened of Cloud or Rain.

Picture postcards usually suggest fine weather, but the keen amateur, with the help of Verichrome film, can make clouds and even rain his allies. A visit to some historic castle, ancient bridge or church, just after a

heavy shower, will give the amateur a chance to show it in a new light.

Perhaps the reflections of buildings in wet pavements will be more interesting than the buildings themselves. In sunlight the shadows cast by an old iron gate may make a more beautiful photograph than the gate itself.

Taking close-ups of a part of what is shown on a picture postcard will often result in arresting pictures. The novice should try to be content with photographing a portion of the subject rather than trying to get the whole of the view on to the film.

Our best wishes go with one of our colleagues who recently joined the Van Sales organisation, but we rather envied his luck when we read "until such time as he takes over he will be assitting on Van No. 5."

Billy Williams used to sing "When Father Papered the Parlour," but one of our friends "dabbing here and dabbing it there," forgot to trim the edges of his rolls.

When his wife saw it—well, it was the "End of a Perfect Day."

WHO IS IT?—No. 7.





The wedding took place on Monday, August 2nd, of Mr. E. Goodship and Miss Lilian Strange, at the London Road Methodist Chapel. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. N. M. Wills and an address was given by the Rev. A. Griffiths. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white embossed cloque, with wreath and veil, and carried a bouquet of red roses. She was attended by Miss Mary Strange (her sister), Miss Ella Strange (cousin), two little girls (Margaret and Dorothy Black), and two little boys (Trevelyan and Ronald Wills). The bridesmaids wore dresses of primrose floral georgette over taffeta, with sashes, headdresses, and shoes to tone. They carried bouquets of sweet peas and wore gold bracelets, the gifts of the bridegroom. The pages' suits were of primrose satin, and their gold tie pins were the gifts of the bridegroom. The best man was Mr. Lyndon Hill, friend of the bridegroom. About 60 guests attended the reception at the Pavilion. The couple were the recipients of numerous presents, including two fireside chairs from the Office staff, where both have been employed for many years.

At the Parish Church on August 7th, Miss. Doris Gingell was married to Mr. Charles King, of Calne. The bride was given away by her father and wore a dress of pale blue crepe suede and picture hat of same shade, blue shoes, and stockings to tone, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations and maiden-hair fern. The bride was unattended.

Miss Gingell was 15 years in the Kitchen Department and was the recipient of an eight-day striking clock from the staff; also a number of domestic presents from her colleagues.

The honeymoon was spent in London.

At Hilmarton Parish Church, on August 7th, Miss Doreen Thompson was married to Mr. Robert Henly, of Calne. The bride was

given away by her father and wore a gown of ivory satin, with a wreath of orange blossom and veil, white satin shoes, and carried a bouquet of pink and cream roses. Two bridesmaids attended the bride, who wore dresses of turquoise crepe suede, with head-dresses of silver leaves, silver shoes, and carried bouquets of pink carnations. The bride's travelling costume was a green swagger tweed, with hat to match.

The honeymoon was spent in Weymouth.

Miss Thompson was eighteen months in
the Kitchen and was the recipient of a hall
set from the staff.

On August 14th, at Calne Parish Church, Miss May Wheeler was married to Mr. Robert Porter, of Goatacre. The bride was given away by her brother-in-law and wore a navy blue costume, white silk blouse, navy blue hat, and blue shoes and stockings to match and white gloves, and carried an ivory Prayer-book. There were no bridesmaids.

Miss Wheeler was 13 years in the Sausage Department, and was the recipient of a carving set and toasting fork.

At Calne Parish Church, on August 14th, Miss D. Lewis was married to Mr. Albert Smith. The bride, given away by her brother, was attired in a white cloque gown, with veil and halo of orange blossom. She carried a bouquet of pale pink carnations.

Two bridesmaids attended the bride. They were dresses of Coronation rose, crepe sage with head-dresses of silver leaves, silver shoes, and carried bouquets of pale mauve and white sweet peas. Both the bride and and bridegroom were employed in the Printing Department, and were presented by their fellow employees with a Westminster chiming clock. Miss Lewis was ten years in the Firm's service.

The honeymoon was spent in Weymouth.

Leslie is a friend of ours. He can make a joke and take a joke.

During his mother's absence he took some cake and carefully cut himself a piece.

When he arrived at work he found he had left the cake at home and put the knife in his pocket.

We always did think Leslie's attitude towards our famous pigeons was blood-thirsty.

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Our Boys at the Duke of York's Camp.

Upon arriving at Paddington at 10 a.m., we found our way to the Mews, and when it was made sure that all 400 boys were there we were shown some objects of interest, including the Royal State Coach, which must be seen to be appreciated. After walking to Liverpool Street Station, we boarded a special train and started out on the remainder of the journey.

When we reached our destination we ate heartily, after which we had a private cinema show in the entertainment tent. All being tired after our respective journeys, we gladly went to bed.

Next morning we were rudely awakened from our slumbers by a couple of energetic buglers, one of whom was at least three notes flat.

Sunday had arrived. After an early service we spent the day getting to know each other and exploring Southwold.

On Monday the fun waxed fast and furious, and, as we had fine weather, everyone was convinced of the good time to come.

Tuesday was the high spot of the week. We had His Majesty in person for host. He arrived at noon and had dinner with us all



H.M. The King in Camp.

in the mess, after which he made a short speech and then talked to the Camp Chief for a while about a certain tree which the King had planted a year or so back. It appeared that the tree had been eaten by a horse. The King presented the Mayor of Southwold, who was present, with a book on gardening, presumably for fun, but the Mayor must have seen the serious side, for he called a Council meeting to discuss the tree.

His Majesty joined in games and singing until it was time to go. The send off we gave him it is rumoured shook the ground



A. T. Haddrell and T. Martin with some of their Camp Comrades.

for miles around. We were very pleased with the mementos the King gave us in the form of a signed photograph. Only about 460 of these exist.

The time sped all too soon. We swam, boated, played, and did numerous other things. The next important sports event was the cross-country race. Everyone had to run who was fit. We started in a fine style, and both finished the course, and came in about 100 and something. Having both some very obvious blisters, we dragged ourselves to the doctor's tent to join the gathering throng of about 50 sufferers.

After supper we had a grand final concert and film. We then had a bonfire and sang "Auld Lang Syne." Then commenced the grand pillow fight, after which we went to bed.

We left Southwold at 10 a.m., and arrived at Liverpool Street Station at 4.10 p.m. There we dispersed and boarded the train at Paddington for home with the memories of a grand time. We got out of the train at Calne after the best holiday boys could have.

A. T. HADDRELL. J. MARTIN.



Dear Sir,

I read in last month's Magazine an article entitled, "What a Game." I was amazed and appalled at the colossal ignorance of the writer on the elementary principles of our National summer game.

He classifies one of the officials as "the referee." Surely he should know that referees are unknown in cricket. They are persons who run up and down a field blowing a whistle for the special amusement of those attending football matches.

There are two officials in charge of a cricket match, and they are called umpires. They are distinguished from the players by the distinctive uniform they wear.

Your correspondent goes on to suppose that Bennett got himself out for the benefit (wrongly spelt in the article) of the following player. Not only is this incorrect, but such conduct on the part of any player would be reprehensible and contrary to all good taste. Bennett was given out by the umpire at the bowler's end, under rule No. 13a/31. One of his lower limbs was in the direct path of the ball when on its way to the wicket at which he was batting.

Again, it may please the writer to be facetious, but I would assure him there are many men playing cricket to-day who were bachelors before they married. Hence his remarks regarding the captain of the Harris team should have been heavily censored.

I cannot follow his reasoning of Willum being spelt with a " G." After all Cholmondley is pronounced Chumley, and the " ${\bf q}$ " is usually silent in " cucumber."

Credit, however, must be given to the writer for his discernment of Winter. I have followed this player's career from his cradle days, when even then he preferred ducks to other childish toys. He is a promising player—always promising a big score. As a batsman he will one day surprise us all by doing the hat trick.

The writer is decidedly wrong in

describing "J.B." as globular. The correct term is spherical.

I have no wish to discourage your writer, but he must remember cricket is a deadly serious game and calls for intensive and prolonged study. Everybody knows it was the playing fields of Eton that started the Battle of Waterloo. Had there been no Waterloo where would Londoners who wanted to go to Bournemouth go to?

OLD NARKOVIAN.

THE HAPPY FAMILY OF HARRIS.

"Actions speak louder than words."

"A tree is known by its fruit."

These and many other sayings express my meaning, that we workers of this worldfamed factory are in a real sense the happy members of one family.

Take the holidays, for a first example, since just at this time we are all either on holiday, about to go, or just returned. If we dislike our fellow workers we should be only too glad to forget all about them when we are by the sea. Is this the case? Emphatically no! We send picture postcards to those who are keeping the flag flying in our absence, and we spend quite a fortune in lettered rock—everyone must have a stick—and there is a detectable odour of peppermint after lunch on Monday.

It isn't always holiday time, however. There are 51 working weeks, yet in all this long time the brotherly and sisterly love is shown forth in many ways. By devious means we secretly discover the dates of our co-workers' birthdays. Each year they receive some little suitable greeting.

Those with allotments and gardens keep their less fortunate friends well supplied with fruit, flowers, and vegetables.

This is but a few instances of the many ways the world can see that we do indeed belong to the Happy Family of Harris.

Freshen a stale loaf by putting it in a steamer over a pan of boiling water for five minutes.

Should your hair brush have worn unevenly and also gone soft, trim the bristles evenly with sharp scissors. Then dip the bristles into hot water and alum to harden them. When dry, brush them up and down with sandpaper to take off the rough edges.

THE BROAD HICHWAY.

We sympathise very much with Van Salesmen R. E. Bunting, of Kingston, and W. A. Bunting, of Southend, in the death of their father.

Our representative in the far North of Scotland, Mr. K. M. McLeod, has recently been under doctor's orders and took the opportunity of visiting friends in the United States. We had several cheery postcards from Atlanta, Georgia, and Mr. McLeod speaks enthusiastically of the many interesting places which he visited. We are glad to say that he is now greatly improved in health.

Van Salesman J. A. Hodgson has been appointed to London Van 3, to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Van Salesman H. Bird.

We welcome Mr. L. S. Gosling and Mr. A. G. Baker, who have recently come to Calne as relief salesmen.

We are now in the midst of the preparations for the London Grocers' Exhibition, which commences on the 18th September, and will be open until the 24th September.

The Exhibition authorities have taken various steps this year with a view to popularising the Exhibition and encouraging provincial traders to visit it. There will be films shown on various trade subjects and the various Boards are putting up very interesting exhibits. One attraction on the Bacon Marketing Board stand will be a live sow and litter.

The Exhibition authorities are also giving special railway fare facilities. Customers placing orders for £50 worth of goods will have their fare paid in full. Customers placing orders to the value of £25 will have their fare paid one way. It will be very interesting to see how this works out as no stipulation is made as to the period during which the goods have to be delivered. We

are of the opinion that the Exhibition directors will have rather a shock when they see the sum which is claimed.

Our stand will be very much on the same lines as last year, but we shall be making special features of tinned hams and tinned gammons, for which there is such a growing demand, and also of the special Christmas lines, for which trade increases year by year.

We are also showing at Bristol, in October.

J.H.G.

At the end of September with regret the Sales Department will be losing the services of Mr. H. A. Olsen after a long association. Our very hearty good wishes go with Mr. Olsen and we hope that he will have every happiness in his retirement.

We welcome Mr. L. F. Moss, who has already joined the Sales Department, bringing with him very useful practical experience of both inside and outside work in different parts of the country.

Our French Feature.

Un jour, Alexandre, passant par Corinthe, eut la curiosité de voir Diogène, qui s'y trouvait:—" Je suis le grand roi Alexandre," lui dit-il. "Et moi, je suis Diogène," répondit le philosophe. "Ne me crains-tu pas?" continua Alexandre. "Estu bon ou mauvais?" reprit Diogène. "Je suis bon," répondit Alexandre. "Hé! qui est-ce qui craint ce qui est bon?" reprit Diogène. Alexandre admira l'esprit et la franchise de Diogène, et lui dit, "Tu es pauvre, Diogène; je serais bien aise de te secourir; demande-moi tout ce que tu voudras." "Retire-toi un peu de côté," répondit Diogène, "tu empêches que je jouisse du soleil."

FENELON.





1st XI.

August Bank-holiday saw the now oldestablished all-day match with the Old Colstonians. Leading on the first innings by 26 runs, we lost this advantage in the second innings, and lost the game by two runs. Batting first, we made 140, responded to by our opponents with 114. R. Goddard's not out innings of 54 was a splendid effort, and this player's progress in future cricket will be interesting to watch, for he shows signs of capability in all three departments of the game—batting, bowling, and fielding. We were glad to welcome F. Flay home on holiday, and his partnership with Goddard put on 39 runs. Our second innings started most favourably, 78 for the first wicket, but a collapse ensued and all were out for 103. R. Parkhouse 37 and R. Swaffield 36 made contributions which, in the circumstances, were outstanding.

Our bowling performances (two innings) were:—R. Swaffield 5 wickets for 46, I. J. Taylor 5 for 51, R. Parkhouse 3 for 28, E. Witchell 3 for 44, G. Witchell 2 for 17, and F. Flay 1 for 26. Catches were made by R. Swaffield (3), F. Flay, A. Butler, and R. Goddard.

A good performance was given on August 8th, at Lickhill, when we made 244 for four wickets, against Marlborough College Staff. A record stand of 167, made by R. Swaffield and J. Bromham, was the basis of this score. The former was unlucky to miss the century, and in his 91 were 14 fours. Eight fours were included in J. Bromham's 70 not out. Marlborough could only make 87, and the attack was shared by F. I. Nash 3 wickets for 24, R. B. Swaffield 2 for 4, A. Winter 2 for 7, E. Witchell 2 for 14, S. L. Drewell 1 for 20. Catches were made by

R. B. Swaffield (2) and E. Witchell.

An extraordinary match was played on August 11th and 12th versus Calne Town, in that the game was continued until it was absolutely impossible to see the ball. Replying to a score of 154 made the previous evening by Harris', the Town club opened in a painfully slow manner. Of the first 13 overs bowled to them eight were maidens. and this slow rate of scoring imposed a task on the later batsmen which they stood well up to, and, as before stated, were allowed to continue in the dark to effect a win. R. Stevens, R. Swaffield, and R. Goddard were our mainstay, and, with the extras, contributed 123 runs between them. The Town Club made 159 for eight wickets. Bowling honours were obtained by R. B. Swaffield 3 wickets for 33, P. Carter 3 for 46, and E. Witchell 1 for 22. Catches were made by R. Goddard (2), P. Carter, and A. Bennett.

At Swindon on August 21st, we won a closely-contested game by nine runs. In getting the G.W.R. team out for 99 we were indebted to S. L. Drewell 4 wickets for 46, P. Carter 2 for 14, F. I. Nash 2 for 21, B. Gough 1 for 7, E. Witchell 1 for 18, and to catches by F. Nash (2), S. Drewell, G. Dean, and R. Swaffield.

The return match on August 28th with Marlborough College Staff ended in a draw, a little in our favour. Batting first, we made 185 for nine wickets declared, and it was pleasing to see so many of our batsmen making runs—would this were more frequent. Replying, Marlborough made 123 for seven wickets. B. Gough obtained 3 wickets for 26, E. Witchell 2 for 25, R. Stevens 1 for 9, and R. Swaffield 1 for 25. Catches were made by A. Butler (2), J. Bromham, and K. Haines.

2nd XI.

Visiting Seagry on August 7th, a win

was recorded by the narrow margin of two runs. Batting first, Seagry made 80, and in dismissing them for this total we were mostly indebted to G. Witchell, who took five wickets for 24 runs, R. Goddard obtained 2 for 34, and S. Wood 1 for 12. Catches were made by B. King (3), G. Witchell, and G. Dean. Our score of 82 was mainly contributed to by G. Witchell 19, A. Butler 16, and B. King 14 not out.

Another victory was recorded on August 18th, when the Chippenham Bacon Company team engaged us at Lickhill. A wonderful spell of bowling by G. Dean (4 wickets for 3 runs) helped by four wickets for 28 by R. Goddard and two for 18 by G. Witchell dismissed our visitors for 62. W. King brought off two catches and others were made by G. Witchell and W. Smith. This small total was easily passed and only three wickets were lost in winning the game. We went on to make 96 for five wickets before stumps were drawn. G. Witchell 39, S. Wood 18 not out, and W. King 17 were our chief contributors.

Marlborough Camp Club, Swindon, were a trifle too strong for us when we visited them on August 21st. We made 96, and these were obtained by our opponents with the loss of seven wickets. G. Witchell 25, E. Trembling 17, H. Flay 13, B. Webb 12, and W. King 13 all made helpful contributions, and our bowling successes were obtained by G. Witchell 5 for 30, M. Rivers 1 for 12, and F. Trembling 1 for 27. Catches were made by W. King (2) and S. Wood, M. Rivers, and A. Butler.

The last match of the 2nd XI.'s season was played at Lickhill on August 28th, when we welcomed Shaw and Whitley. The 72 runs we made were not quite sufficient to bring off a victory, for our opponents made 81. G. Witchell again made a good score it is pleasing to see how frequently we record the prowess of this player, both with bat and ball: 23 was his score on this occasion. E. Trembling 22 and H. Flay 15 were the only other players to reach double figures. G. Witchell and G. Dean bowled unchanged, and the latter obtained 6 wickets for 36 and the former 4 for 37. W. King did not play, so we cannot record the customary success by this player behind the stumps. However, the bowlers were well served by good fielding.

Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. J. E. SMITH.



Mr. J. E. Smith, the Norfolk pig-buying supervisor of the Ipswich Factory, is by this time a well-known personality amongst pig producers in Norfolk, and is more generally and affectionately referred to as "Joe." When first he went to Norfolk in his present position, he was regarded as a stranger, and with the customary East Anglian reserve, much time had to be spent and a lot of work undertaken before he became recognised as a real live personality, with the happy knack of finding much pleasure in his business transactions with so many who, by this time, have become real and personal friends.

During the period of contracting, Mr. Smith, mounted on his rostrum in the Norwich Corn Hall, is reminiscent of a preacher delivering his sermon from a pulpit, except that the congregation is not always so devout as it should be.

He takes a great interest in horticulture, and each year the office is adorned with many handsome blooms of dahlias, of which he is justly very proud.

Diluted cold tea is one of the best cleaners of varnished paintwork.

A Wayfarer's Note-Book.

THE EMERALD COAST.

Early in the morning the channelsteamer reaches St. Malo, after an all-night crossing from Southampton. Towering above the harbour are the huge sun-lit walls and fortifications which surround this oldworld town, giving it an almost impregnable appearance. Within the gates of St. Malo there is a maze of narrow, and often rather dirty, cobbled streets, filled with jostling crowds, swollen to some extent by the number of visitors who never tire of looking around the shops for souvenirs or bargains.

St. Malo is a good centre from which to visit other parts of Brittany, as well as the celebrated Mont St. Michel, which is a few hours drive away. Mont St. Michel is an isolated rock off the coast of Normandy, joined to the mainland by a causeway. At high tide it becomes an island, and stands forth out of the sea like some tall pyramid of stone and verdure. From the gate where the causeway adjoins the rock a narrow village street winds its way in a spiral through castellated archways and along battlements until the apex is reached, where

there is an abbey with an interesting cloister and a tall spire. This ancient edifice is a landmark for miles out at sea, and may be seen far inland. In the distant past the fortifications of the rock have successfully resisted attempts at capture by Bretons, Huguenots, as well as the English.

Dinard is much nearer to St. Malo, the two places being separated by the mouth of the River Rance. Motor-boats take about twenty minutes to make the journey. The water is extraordinarily clear, and in the sunlight a wonderful shade of green. Perhaps that is why the coast is known as Côte d'Emeraude; or, likelier still, it is because of the greenness of the countryside; anyhow, the name seems delightfully apt.

Dinard is as modern as St. Malo is medieval, and, added to that, there are the attractions of fine sandy bathing beaches and enjoyable walks along the rugged coast.

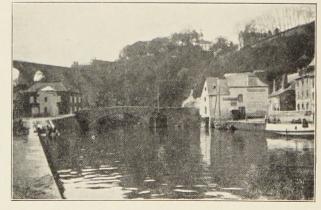
At low tide the River Rance is hardly navigable by even the smallest craft, nearly all the water having drained itself into the sea, but at other times it is possible to travel several miles up the river by motor-boat as far as the quaint old walled town of Dinan, where the river flows through a gorge between granite cliffs and dense foliage.

WAYFARER.



A Street In St. Malo.

Enamelled saucepans should always be hardened when new by being put into cold water in a larger vessel, brought slowly to the boil, and boiled fast for a few minutes. Don't put cold water into a boiling-hot enamelled pan.



The River Rance at Dinan.

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Friends Elsewhere.



ANNUAL VISIT TO CALNE.

Once again we have to record our appreciation of a most enjoyable day spent at Calne, for the annual Flower Show and Sports.

Naturally we are disappointed that we had to return home minus the President's Cup, but we shall continue trying until our wishes are fulfilled.

In other departments we were more fortunate, our members being very successful. Special mention must be made of R. G. Hemmings, who on this his first occasion of exhibiting in the Flower Show secured 13 prizes. A. Lem also proved successful in the Fur and Feather Section by obtaining six awards, while G. Warne did exceedingly well in the sports. Mrs. B. Pinfield and Mr. L. A. H. Ambrose repeated previous successes in the Flower Show Section.

ANNUAL OUTING.

The annual outing this year took place on Saturday, 14th August, 1937, and a party of about 40 spent a very happy time at Weymouth.

Once again our thanks are due to everyone who made the arrangement possible.

CONGRATULATIONS.

We extend to Mr. D. Woodley, of the Factory Staff, our congratulations on becoming the father of a boy. We are pleased that both mother and son are progressing.

WEDDING.

At St. Paul's Church, Chippenham, on Saturday, 28th August, 1937, Mr. T. Williams of the Office staff, was married to Miss V. Carter, also of Chippenham. The service was choral, and several members of the Office staff were able to be present, including Mr. J. Swayne, who officiated at the organ.

At the conclusion of business on Friday, 27th August, our Manager, Mr. W. V. Long, presented Mr. Williams with a chiming clock in the presence of the staff, conveying the best wishes of all his colleagues for a happy and prosperous married life.

ILLNESS.

Unfortunately this month our sick list has been rather long. Mr. F. Coleman sustained a poisoned arm, which necessitated his removal to Bath Hospital. We are pleased to report he is progressing favourably.

Mr. J. Hanks, who attended the Scouts' Jamboree in Holland, contracted a poisoned finger while abroad, and has been away from work since his return home.

Messrs. H. Timberlake and R. Edwards, of the Curing Department, are both indisposed, but we hope to see them back again very shortly.

Everyone was pleased to welcome Mr. E. Taylor, of the Small Goods Department, back to his usual position after an absence of nine weeks. We sincerely hope he will now enjoy good health again.

BOWLS MATCH—CHIPPENHAM v. CALNE

We were delighted with the opportunity if meeting some of our Calne friends at John Cole's Park, on Friday, 6th August, for a friendly game of bowls.

We hope it is the forerunner of more pleasant evenings next season, when we trust our team will have had more experience and provide more opposition.

On the whole our team played well, but there is no doubt that our friends were superior, knowing the finer points of the game, of which they took advantage.

CHIPPENHAM. CALNE.

1st Rink 17 17 2nd Rink 17 22 W.H.W.

CRICKET.

On 18th July, Chippenham journeyed to Calne for the return match versus Harris 2nd XI., and once again there was a thrilling encounter.

Chippenham won the toss and went in to bat. Simpkins and Clifford gave us a

good start and neither was troubled by the opening bowlers, but when Goddard and Dean took over it was another matter. They not only broke up this partnership but were responsible for the wickets of the remainder of the side, the last wicket falling when the score was 62.

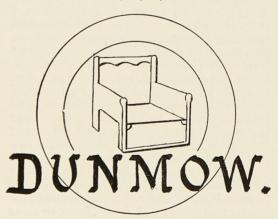
Calne opened confidently. Witchell again was a constant source of trouble to our bowlers, and he had admirable support from King and Wood. Our score was passed in an hour, but to conclude a very pleasant evening our opponents went on to bat until the light made it impossible, their final score being 96 for six wickets.

We should like to thank them for the two sporting games. We have each a win to our credit, and we look forward to renewing acquaintances again at Lickhill next season.

E.C.H.

We express our sympathy to Mr. F. Jones in the unfortunate accident to his wife. We are pleased to hear that Mrs. Jones is making progress and we hope she will be soon restored to her usual health again.

W.H.W.



On the 14th August, a party of 30 from this factory set out on our visit to Calne.

We left Dunmow by coach soon after five a.m., after having roused one or two from their beds. Slough was reached at eight o'clock, and a halt was made for a very welcome breakfast.

We were on our way again at nine o'clock, speeding down the Great West Road to our goal. As we crossed the Downs at about 11.30 a.m., having practi-

cally finished a very pleasant journey, we saw the welcome sight of the Harris chimneys standing out above Calne. Arriving at the factory, we were met by the guides who were to show us around the factory anxiously waiting for us. We were able to see all the bacon factory on this occasion, having a little more time than we had last year.

After this some of us were able to have a quick look around the town before going into the factory for the event of the day—the luncheon given to us by the kind generosity of our Chief.

The meal being over, all the managers present, and Mr. Redman, delivered their short speeches, which were followed by stirring words from Mr. Bodinnar, giving us further encouragement in these rather dull days for our industry.

After joining in to the singing of "For he's a jolly good fellow," we all adjourned to the Recreation-ground. Some of us did not get there before the rain started, but when the storm had passed the sports really got going.

Then for the tug-of-war, of winning which we entered with great hopes, but alas, in our first pulls with Kidlington, we found our opponents too good for us. They had gone into the thing "by numbers" in true style. But we are not downhearted, so look out, Kidlington, we'll be after that cup next time!

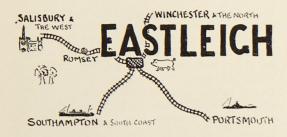
Soon after tea it was time for our coach to hit the long trail for home. We left Calne at six o'clock, arriving home in the early hours of Sunday morning, after having spent a thoroughly enjoyable day.

On behalf of all who made the trip from Dunmow, I should once more like to express our thanks and gratitude to Mr. Bodinnar and other Directors for making this visit possible for us once again; also for the kind hospitality shown us at Calne.

W.L.J.F.

Immediately tea is spilt on a tablecloth, cover the stain with salt. Leave for a while, and when the cloth is washed all stains will have disappeared.

Grease stains on a stove should be wiped off immediately with newspaper. Before cleaning the stove rub the stain with a cloth dipped in turpentine.



It is with pleasure that we are able to record the formation of a "Four Counties" Football Club, to which Mr. Bodinnar has kindly consented to be president and Mr. Redman vice-president.

The club has been accepted in the Eastleigh and District Football League, and we wish the team, under the captaincy of Mr. E. Angell, a very successful season. There is an abundance of enthusiasm among the lads which augurs well for the coming season.

The first match played was a friendly against Durley, and resulted in a draw of three goals each, and although this was by way of a preliminary canter, the team as a whole showed fine promise and should be well equipped for the more strenuous League encounters.

It would be invidious to mention any names in connection with the first game, except that our friends at Calne will be pleased to know that Ervine still retains the brilliance of former seasons.

L.S.J.



ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW AND SPORTS.

This annual event was held in the factory grounds on Saturday, the 7th August, and once again we were favoured with beautiful weather.

We were all very sorry our President was unable to be present with us, and we hope another year to have the pleasure of his company.

The proceedings opened with tea at four p.m., after which various sports were indulged in by those present, and several side-shows helped to pass a pleasant afternoon and evening.

The Vegetable, Fruit, and Flower Show again attracted quite good entries. Although they were not quite so numerous as last year, the quality and appearance of the exhibits was certainly an improvement, and shows that the members are taking an interest in their gardening.

We have once again to record our very grateful thanks to the ladies of our Refreshment Committee, Mesdames W. J. Young, R. Gibbs, and J. Norris and Miss E. Woods. What we should do without their invaluable help we do not know.

To Mrs. W. J. Pople, who judged the ladies' classes, and Mr. T. Day, who judged the produce, our very best thanks are given.

To those members, whether of the Committee or not, thanks are due for the amount of work they put in to make the afternoon so pleasant, and it would be out of place to name anyone specially as they all worked hard.

It is a great pity that when so much work, time, and thought is put into even such a small event as ours, greater support is not forthcoming from the members. This year the attendance was between 60 and 70; in fact, about half the members took the opportunity of the few hours' relaxation and pleasure offered, and brought their families or friends. If every member who could have come had turned up with only one relative or friend our attendance would have been more than doubled. We often hear members say, "It's a waste of time; there's nothing of interest there"; and while it is freely admitted if we all turned up in force it would not make the event assume the proportions of a Harvest Home, or some such affair, it will never be possible to improve it unless members give it their support. For instance, quite a nice little programme of sports had been arranged, but when the events were due there were not any competitors, so those present simply competed to make some interest, but, of course, there is not the interest as when competitors are well matched and real sporting rivalry enters into the events.

Quite a number of people have con-

sistently worked and supported this event over a number of years, and most of them could quite as easily as our absent friends claim that it had nothing of interest for them, or that they had something better to do, and we want seriously to suggest that unless this event becomes of interest to a larger number of members it is bound to disappear, because, owing to lack of support, those who have loyally attended year after year are having their enthusiasm (and incidentally their purses) rather strained to make it self-supporting and, what it was intended to be, a summer social meeting of all the employees, their relatives, and friends.

The following is the list of prize-winners: Five potatoes, kidney—1, E. Cann; 2, A. G. Kidley; 3, W. J. Pople.

Five Potatoes, round—1, H. D. Smith; 2, E. Cann; 3, A. G. Kidley.

Three parsnips—1, E. Cann; 2, R. J. Slocombe; 3, A. G. Kidley.

Three carrots, short—1, E. Cann.
Three carrots, long—1, E. Cann; 2, L.
King; 3, A. G. Kidley.

Twelve eschalots, grown from set—1, A. C. Chedzoy; 2, S. T. Hardwidge; 3, W. J. Young.

Three onions, spring—1, R. J. Slocombe; 2, H. A. Ham; 3, S. T. Hardwidge.

Green peas, 10 pods—I, W. J. Pople; 2, R. A. Hand; 3, S. T. Hardwidge.

Ten beans, runner—1, E. Cann; 2, A. C. Chedzoy; 3, H. D. Smith.

Three beetroot, short—1, T. Hardwidge; 2, J. Young; 3, A. G. Kidley.

Three beetroot, long—2, E. Cann. Two cabbage, green—2, A. Holley; 3, T. Burchell.

Two marrows—2, E. Cann.

Six heaviest potatoes—1, E. Mason; 2, H. D. Smith; 3, T. Burchell.

Heaviest marrow or squash—3, E. Cann. Three lettuce, cos or cabbage—2, T. Burchell; 3, S. T. Hardwidge.

Two cauliflower—3, S. T. Hardwidge. Five outdoor tomatoes—2, S. T. Hardwidge; 3, R. J. Slocombe.

½lb. red gooseberries—2, E. Cann; 3, W. J. Pople.

lb. green gooseberries—2, L. King. Five apples, dessert—1, W. J. Young; 2, A. C. Chedzoy; 3, L. King.

Five apples, cooking—1, A. C. Chedzoy; 2, R. J. Slocombe; 3, L. King.

½lb. currants, red—2, L. King.
Three vases cut flowers, any varieties,

not less than two kinds—1, A. C. Chedzoy; 2, R. A. Hand; 3, A. G. Kidley.

Three vases of sweet peas, 8 stems each, any variety or varieties, shown without foliage—1, R. A. Hand; 2, E. Cann; 3, H. A. Ham.

Three ten-week stocks, not less than two distinct colours, whole stem to be exhibited—
1, R. J. Slocombe; 2, E. Cann; 3, A. G. Kidley.

Six asters, to be exhibited in vase—2, E. Cann; 3, R. A. Hand.

Specimen flowering plant—1, S. T. Hardwidge; 2, T. Burchell; 3, W. J. Young.

Specimen fern or aspidistra—2, T. Burchell; 3, R. A. Hand.

Antirrhinums (snapdragons), 2 complete stems—1, J. Slocombe; 2, R. A. Hand; 3, C. B. Shier.

Gladioli, 3 complete spikes or stems, any colour or colours—1, S. T. Hardwidge; 2, Mrs. Beyan.

Best-arranged vase or bowl of flowers, any variety or varieties—1, R. A. Hand; 2, A. G. Kidley; 3, R. J. Slocombe.

Pot of jam, 1lb., any variety—1, M. Sansom; 2, Mrs. Bevan; 3, Mrs. Kidley.

Cake-making—Fruit cake, the ingredients of which to be not more than 3s.—1, Mrs. Hand; 2, Mrs. Holley; 3, Mrs. Norris.

Dish of cooked potatoes—1, Mrs. Hard-widge; 2, Mrs. Holley; 3, Mrs. Hand.
Miniature garden—1, Miss Hand.

We had the pleasure of a visit from Mr. Carpenter, of the Calne Office.

R.C.L.

OUR VISIT TO CALNE ANNUAL FLOWER SHOW

Some 31 of us again visited Calne for this annual event on Saturday, August 14th, making the journey by motor-coach.

The weather seemed to be a little doubtful, but we started away from Highbridge just before eight a.m., all looking forward to spending a good time, and in spite of the outlook "we did have a good time."

Our route lay through Blagdon, Bath, Box, and Chippenham, and after a quick run up, we made our first stop at Box for refreshment, finally reaching Calne just before eleven o'clock.

Our party, on disembarking, were met by guides, who kindly took us around the up-to-date factories, and we appreciate the

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kindness of our Directors in this direction, as there appears always something fresh or some new idea being put into operation, which makes it interesting.

The whole of the parties from the various branches were entertained to luncheon, by the kindness of Mr. Bodinnar, to whom we must extend our very grateful thanks for providing such a good repast for our inner needs, and judging by the happy look on the faces of the company, they had done full justice to the victuals provided. We were all looking forward to hearing our President and Managing Director speak on the problems that face us at this moment, and after representatives from the various branches had spoken (and, in passing, we were given to understand that every Branch Manager was present).

Mr. Bodinnar spoke to us, (being introduced by musical honours) and we all appreciated the heart-to-heart talk, and were made to realise the difficulties that still confront us to put British-bred and fed bacon in the place that it should occupy, in the fore-front of any brand of bacon, and consumed by every household in this land of ours and elsewhere.

May we suggest to the powers that be that a microphone be temporarily installed at the top table, so that when the speeches are made it will enable everyone to hear what is being said, as it is difficult at the present for those farthest away to hear any of the remarks that fall from the lips of the wise owing to the bad acoustic properties of the dining hall. We are sure this innovation will be appreciated by all.

As time was moving along we all adjourned to the sports ground, but, unfortunately, just as the first events were started, the clerk of the weather thought a few drops of rain would not do us harm. We are sorry to relate that this somewhat marred the proceedings and held it up for over an hour, but then, as we were out for the day, we did not care. Our hopes were high, and were fully justified, as just after four p.m. the clouds rolled away, giving us the sunshine once more to enjoy the sports and flower show, &c.

Our party left Calne at 7.30 p.m., with happy memories of a good time and with our heartfelt thanks to all those who contributed in any way to our welfare and gave their service to make our visit both welcome and pleasant.

On our homeward journey we made a stop at Bath for an hour, and then again at Blagdon to finish up the day with a ride on the roundabouts, &c., arriving home in good time before Sunday morning, tired but happy, the end of an enjoyable day.

WINTER SPORTS.

A general meeting was called on Wednesday, 11th August, of all the skittlers to decide on our programme for the ensuing season, and it was unanimously decided to again enter a team in the Highbridge and District Skittle League.

C.B.S.



So quickly do the months pass by that we were too late for the "Mag." last month, and really have not much news this time.

As if to make amends for his bad behaviour in the spring the Clerk of the Weather gave us a lovely August, and, so far, has kept it up into September. Week by week we have seen the returning holiday-makers sunburned and fit, coming back with stories of happy, sunlit days, and wishing "good luck" to the colleagues whose turn came next.

The holiday resorts all report a record season, and the national health will surely benefit from this goodly spell of sunshine.

Work has been (and still is) plentiful, and our sick-list extremely small, so you can see that we have much to be thankful for.

Our Sports and Social Club have had an excellent season, the last notable event being the annual outing, on August 14th, when a large party went by train to London, whilst a small party adventured by road to Calne, where they had a very enjoyable time.

Ipswich, by the way, possesses a very fine airport now, so if any of our friends at other branches happen to own a 'plane, just "come up and see us some time"—they will be very welcome.



Returning from holidays is a sorry business—an occasion requiring shoulders to be squared, stiff upper lips, and that studied mien and gleam in the eye denoting resolution. Yet life would be meaningless and intolerable if it were one long monotonous holiday. Music charms when enjoyed as a recreation, but it can be the most boring of masters when it is indulged in the form of lessons and exercises. So, if we were compelled to take endless holidays they would cease to be recreation and enjoyment. Thus it comes about that, as we journey back to our job of work, we ought rather to "march with our faces towards the dawn," with happiness on our countenances, and with joy and thankfulness in our hearts, that we are once more equipped to do something

I was thinking something like this as I travelled from the glorious purple mountains of the Great Glen, through the historic pass of Killiecrankie, and the lovely valley of the Tay, on my way south. There is nothing quite so enjoyable as a holiday with good weather, good books, old friends, and freedom from petty cares, except it be the thrill of looking forward to useful endeavour and high achievement.

While in the North of Scotland I spent some happy hours in a little fishing harbour varning with a few old fishermen and retired owners. The interest was in the preparation for a voyage by a schoolboy crew of what to them was a veritable "Faery Queen." Twenty-four boys of Gordonstown School, including Prince Phillip of Greece and sons of famous fathers with names which are legend from one end of Britain to the other, are here given practical instruction throughout the term in navigation and seamanship. The school skiffs and the little ketch are fully employed. But this year the school has secured something bigger—the real thing named the "Henrietta," built in Truro 59 years ago, and until recently working as a cargo boat. She is ketch-rigged. The school boys, with some skilled help, have prepared her for a long distance cruise to Norway, under the command of ex-naval Commander Lewty. The Moray Firth has been the training ground of some of the best seamen in the world, and to watch those splendid lads caulking and scraping and painting the hull, masts, and deck, in dongerees, under the critical eve of the "old salts" on shore, was most interesting, and was the type of practical education which one feels is very much needed to-day. They were learning that there is no fun like congenial work. The ship, equipped with wireless, will be sailed up one of the Norwegian fjords, where camp will be struck for three weeks. They will



The "Henrietta."

sail the ship both ways across the North Sea, and are taking three Aberdeen Sea Scouts to assist.

I was down to see the "Henrietta" make her way out of harbour in the dusk, and would have liked my readers to have seen the enthusiastic send-off from parents, sisters, and brothers, and the proud faces lining the rails and rigging. Many an old sailor also felt a thrill that evening as he saw this example of the "wooden walls" sail forth again.

Before I returned I had a day's cruise on a new Clyde steamer to view my old boyhood haunts. My familiar "Columba," of happy memory, has given place to the new modern "Saint Columba," speedy and streamlined. It is long since I saw the Clyde shipyards so busy, and the giant sister ship to the "Queen Mary" is one which is slowly taking shape on the stocks. There was a new Clan liner doing her trials off Cloch and, further down, under the shadow of the Arran peaks, we heard the boom of guns as a new destroyer underwent her trials. This sleek little greyhound was a grim contrast to the old wooden walls of the "Henrietta."

Good-bye, Scotland, then, for another spell! Good-bye.

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The weather here during the month of August has been particularly kind to those on holiday. Several of the popular seaside resorts in the county are recording splendid seasons—the county is becoming ever increasingly popular.

Unfortunately the season has been marred by several bathing tragedies. Each year we read of these tragic occurrences, and it does seem a pity that visitors will not heed the warnings which are so prominently displayed in places against bathing where currents are particularly dangerous. One of the worst fatalities has occurred this year at Hayle, which is quite near Redruth, where three people were drowned.

We have had four on the sick list during the month. E. R. Pappin and Tom Cooke,

both of whom have had poisoned arms; J. Francis and W. E. Seymour. With the exception of the second named, all are now back in harness, and we hope it will not be long before we shall again have a full staff.

Our sympathies go out to Jack Merritt, who has met with a serious accident while cycling, and we hope that the ultimate consequences will not be as serious as anticipated, and that he will speedily recover.

We were pleased to see Mr. Friggens, who gave us a call while on holiday in the district.

A. J.C.

TOTNES.

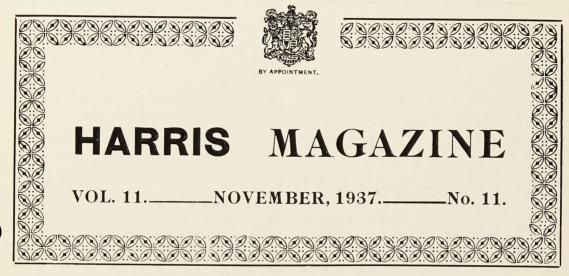
Saturday, August 21st, saw us all "on the river" for our annual regatta. It was glorious weather for one of the finest regattas that Totnes has ever had.

The picturesque setting of the river Dart was made even more picturesque when the crews were on the water, and the keen competition in the races gave us a very thrilling afternoon. The actual course is about 11 miles, from Parker's Barn to the Steamer Quay. (Parker's Barn, we are told, was once a favourite haunt for cock-fighting). The large crowd seemed most enthusiastic over the ladies' four-oared race for the Lloyd Challenge Cup. At one period it looked as if Totnes would win, but the Torquay ladies gradually pulled ahead after about half the distance and won by a length. It was a fine performance by our Totnes ladies, who are experiencing their first season of rowing. In the face of strong opposition from Exeter, Torquay, Paignton, Dartmouth, and Bideford, Totnes had to be content with second place in the junior pair-oared race, and third place in the junior fours. Besides having swimming and diving there was a polo match, in which Totnes and Paignton played a draw. A fitting end to the day was a dance at the Royal Seven Stars Hotel.

Only those who have been on the River Dart between Dartmouth and Totnes can imagine the scene of our regatta, and with the weather "given" it is an event that should not be missed.

F.J.K.

Furniture will never shine if the polish is applied with a soiled cloth.





WHEN the first Poppy Day appeal was made on November 11th, 1921, with barely six weeks of preparation, £106,000 was subscribed by the British public on the one day. Last year, the sum of £544,301 was received from rich and poor to provide the Legion with the necessary funds to carry out their numerous schemes to help ex-Service men and women in need of relief.

In each of the last three years the Legion has put 50,000 men into employment and has spent £50,000 in housing ex-Service men who are not able to pay much in the way of rent.

Employment is given to several hundred disabled men at the Poppy Factory, convalescent homes are maintained, and at the Legion Village for sufferers from tuberculosis many wonderful cures have been effected.

The most helpful work done by the Legion is carried out by its 5,000 branches

up and down the country, whose members and officials are ever vigilant in the interest of the ex-Service man's home, especially when sickness, distress, and loss overshadow it.

The thanks of all who have the work of the Legion at heart are due to the organisers and the 300,000 ladies who volunteer their services each year as poppy-sellers.

As usual, each purchaser is asked to give as generously as possible for his or her poppy. Already 2,716 miles of wire have been used for the stems of the 31,655,000 poppies on order. Orders have been received for 400,000 car mascots and 175,000 cycle mascots.

The sale of these products of the Legion Poppy Factory not only enables the wide-spread work of the Legion to be carried out, but provides employment for 400 disabled ex-Service men. So give as generously as you can.

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Between Ourselves.

OME of the few readers who write to me about my articles ask that these may be of an intimate character, whilst others ask that business problems should be dealt with. I should very greatly appreciate it if any of the readers who are interested would write to me forthwith giving me suggestions for the subjects of articles for my consideration. Meantime, what I am writing to-day will be about some of our bacon problems.

On July 29th, the Minister made a statement in the House of Commons, which read as follows :-

"The Government have given careful consideration to the difficulties of the bacon industry, which appear to be attributable, in part, to the increase of pig feeding costs and, in part, to the high costs of bacon manufacture in this country. They believe that if the industry were founded on a small number of efficient factories, provided with adequate and regular supplies of pigs of good quality and conformation, sufficient economies could be secured in the cost of curing to enable the industry to be maintained during periods of high

"The Government accordingly would be willing to propose that some assistance should be accorded to the industry over a sufficient period to enable the contract system for the supply of bacon pigs to be re-established if they were assured that the re-organisation of the bacon factories would so proceed as to hold promise of a reduction in curing costs which would enable both producers and curers to work at a profit. The Government desire to give further consideration, in consultation with the industry, to the nature of the changes that would be required, and the form which they should take, with a view to laying detailed proposals before Parliament as early as possible.

" Meanwhile the present arrangements for the regulation of imports will continue in force.

On September 14th conversations began between Officials of the Ministry and a Committee of the Bacon Marketing Board. They are also dealing with the Pigs Board. These discussions are continuing, and so far it has been the wish of the Ministry that none of the proposals should be divulged. In other words, those of us who are sitting in at these meetings are pledged to secrecy. There will, however, emerge, as there is bound to do, the problem of how we may induce larger and more regular supplies of pigs to the bacon factories. That is the fundamental point from which all discussions must start.

I said a good long time ago in one of my articles that efficiency would be the test of the prolongation of life of a bacon factory, and of the bacon industry.

What does efficiency mean so far as we are all concerned? May I point out a few self obvious truths? Efficiency is necessary in building plans and in the erection of factories. It is essential in the kind of machinery that is employed, and the lay-out and intelligent use of that equipment. It is absolutely vital in the matter of hygiene. Hygiene in all factory processes, and, to an extent which cannot be over emphasised, in the matter of personal cleanliness.

If we turn to the pig Producer, there must be efficiency there also. The Producer must know how to feed his pigs so as to reduce to its proper level the number of pounds of food required for every pound gained in live weight.

It is said that the Schemes have improved the production of pigs. That is so to a very large extent, but the heavy foreend of the English pig costs shillings per cwt. in the selling value of the bacon as compared with the Danish fore-end. The incidence of pig diseases is not yet fully recognised in its cost upon the industry. Then, the ideal pig having been produced, in ideal surroundings, there arises the question of pig distribution, so as to allow an economic and proportionate throughput to each factory. Inside the factory there must be efficiency in all branches of preparation of the pig into bacon. This must apply religiously to butchering, chilling, curing washing, smoking, and packing. Outside the factory we have our sales forces. These sales forces must give proper service and there must be economic distribution. These points, and much else, are in the minds of all who are now at work on the future of the Bacon and Pig Industries in this country.

So far as we are concerned, I can summarise all the above and say that not only is efficiency required in the use of the capital employed in a business, but that its effectiveness may be highly impaired unless the human element is on its toes in all matters of efficiency and achievement. If one cog or one valve fails in the machine, or the wireless set, the whole conception and achievement suffer.

September.

THE ninth month of the year, known as harvest month. In Anglo-Saxon it is called Gestmonath, or barley month. Further back in the dark ages of history it was Sudi Magni, in honour of the pagan gods Jupiter, Juno, and Minerva. We call the ninth month September; with it comes the season of Michaelmas, culminating in the feast day of St. Michael and All Angels.

September is a month of infinite variety. It is still summer, but summer settling down into the lap of autumn, coloured by autumnal tints. Still summer, but as the days pass the holiday season closes, the schools reopen, seaside resorts lose their crowds of visitors, and the cities and towns fill up. This period of harvest and change is the chosen time when we meet in London at the Exhibition. During the month the full returns of the world's harvest have been collected and we know what the world's food stocks are. The Exhibition then gives us our opportunity to shape our plans and make our contracts. This year, through circumstances quite beyond our control, we found it difficult to give our friends all the information that is usually available. For all that we made a brave show, and we were particularly glad to have Mr. Bodinnar with us from the start. In spite of the severest handicaps he had a word of cheer for us all, and was to all seeming his usual vigorous and debonair self.

That September is the great month of variety and change is evident in the world of sport, which stages a great transformation scene. As the days pass the cricket pitches become deserted. Public interest shifts over to football, and the soccer fans come into their own. London is at once full of talk of how the Arsenal will fare bereft of its old leading light, the great Alex James. Birmingham anxiously canvasses the prospects of the Villa and waits signs showing revival of the great days of old.

In the gardens September is a great month with the huge masses of bloom in the brightest colours and variety. But daily the September garden lives under the threat of change. Indian summer days are certain, but any night may bring the first of the winter's frosts. Then in a stroke all is

changed and where there was beauty and bright colour and gay life, there is death and blackness. For in the garden at a blow summer goes and is in winter quarters.

September this year has given us a nasty jolt. Business has been difficult—so difficult as almost to absorb our thoughts. But we have been forced to note world conditions, and while Spain remains heavily stricken, ghastly news comes to us from the East. I have often read about that great orator, the late John Bright, and of how one day he spoke in the House of Commons words that arrested the attention of all. War was feared. I write apart from my references, and rely on memory, which is not always exact, so my quotation may not be quite right. I think the passage in Bright's great speech to have been: "The Angel of Death is in the air; one can almost hear the beating of his wings.

So now, and much more truly, for now the machines of death are really in the air, and at any time one may see and hear their flight through the air. So this horror hovers over us. But here, in England, we keep the faith; and here, in England, in this month of September, we keep our Michaelmas or our Feast of S. Michael and All Angels, and all of us whose thoughts can turn that way may find great confidence and great consolation in the words, and what lovely English it is, from St. Michael's Day:-

"God, who hast ordained the service of angels and men in a wonderful order, mercifully grant that as Thy holy angels do Thee service in heaven, so by Thy appointment they may succour and defend us on earth.'

Michaelmas may mean to us that while in many parts of the world men's hearts fail them for fears of war, and of troubles seemingly too great for frail humanity to bear, here we English people may keep our faith and go forth to meet all dangers sustained by the happy confident September message of S. Michael and All Angels. R.E.H.

When you are beating chairs and sofas indoors cover them with a damp dustsheet. This will prevent the dust rising into the room.

When washing a chamois leather leave as much soap as possible in it, and when dry it will be as good as new.

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Our French Feature.

OCEANO NOX.

Oh! combien de marins, combien de capitaines!

Qui sont partis joyeux pour des courses lointaines

Dans ce morne horizon se sont évanouis! Combien ont disparu, dure et triste fortune? Dans une mer sans fond, par une nuit sans

Sous l'aveugle océan à jamais enfouis!

Combien de patrons morts avec leurs équipages

L'ouragan de leur vie a pris toutes les pages Et d'un souffle, il a tout dispersé sur les flots Nul ne saura leur fin, dans l'abîme plongée Chaque vague en passant d'un butin s'est chargée

L'une a saisi l'esquif, l'autre les matelots.

Nul se sait votre sort, pauvres têtes perdues Vous roulez à travers les sombres étendues Heurtant de vos fronts morts les écueils inconnus

Oh! que de vieux parents qui n'avaient plus

Sont morts en attendant tous les jours sur

Ceux qui ne sont pas revenus!

On demande: "Où sont-ils? sont-ils rois dans quelque île,

Nous ont-îls délaissés pour un bord plus fertile?"

Puis votre souvenir même est enseveli.

Le corps se perd dans l'eau, le nom dans la mémoire

Le temps qui sur toute ombre en verse une plus noire

Sur le sombre océan jette le sombre oubli.

Bientôt des yeux de tous votre ombre est disparue

L'un n'a t-il pas sa barque et l'autre sa charrue

Seules, durant ces nuits où l'orage est vainqueur

Vos veuves au front blanc, lasses de vous attendre

Parlent encore de vous en remuant la cendre De leur foyer et de leur coeur. Et, quand la tombe enfin a fermé leur paupière

Rien ne sait plus vos noms; pas même une humble pierre

Dans l'étroit cimetière où l'écho nous répond Pas même un saule vert qui s'effeuille à l'automne

Pas même la chanson naïve et monotone Que chante un mendiant à l'angle d'un vieux pont.

Où sont-ils les marins sombrés dans la nuit noire

O flots! que vous savez de lugubres histoires Flots profonds, redoutés des mères à genoux! Vous vous les racontez en montant les marées Et c'est ce qui vous fait ces voix désespérées Que vous avez le soir quand vous venez vers

V. Hugo.

BRITISH LEGION—CALNE BRANCH.

The Committee draw your attention to the following programme and ask for your loyal support.

THURSDAY, NOV. 11th.—POPPY DAY.

A Concert, which will particularly appeal to members, will be held in the Palace Theatre at 7.30 p.m. Admission—2s. and 1s. 6d. (reserved), and 1s. (no half-price). Reserved seats not occupied by 7.30 p.m. will be re-sold.

Reserved tickets may be obtained from Mr. W. H. Gale, 27, Church Street; unreserved tickets from the following members of the Committee:
— Messrs. C. E. Blackford, H. Clarke, C. G. Higgins, J. Kelloway, and G. Lane.

(Plan of the Theatre may be seen at 27, Church Street).

SUNDAY, NOV. 14th.—REMEMBRANCE SERVICE.

CHURCH PARADE. Fall in on Strand, at 2.10 p.m. Members are invited to wear Medals and Decorations.

SATURDAY, NOV. 27th.—ANNUAL DINNER.

Tickets, 2s. Members are asked to assist in the arrangements by obtaining their tickets by the 25th November.

British Legion Battlefields Pilgrimage, 1937.

TPRES was again the headquarters of the Pilgrimage. What memories "Wipers" must bring back to those who lived through the horror and destruction of those dark days, 1914-1918. To those who served in the Salient it must seem almost incredible that the mutilated and battered Ypres is once again a beautiful city. When the Great War ended there remained but an unrecognisable fragment of the once famous belfry, whilst all that remained of the Cathedral was a shattered tower and ruined walls. The city was so shattered with shells and bombs that it was the general opinion that it would be impossible to ever re-build it, but there were those fully determined not only to re-build the city on its ancient site, but also to retain its place in history. More than 4,000 men were engaged on the work of clearing the ruins and classifying the recovered materials, and the restoration work progressed so rapidly and efficiently that a beautiful city has arisen from the ruins. The new buildings have as nearly as possible retained the pattern of the old buildings they replace.

From October 13th, 1914, until the end of the War, Ypres was occupied by British troops, and it was never more than seven miles from the front line trenches, and sometimes less than three. The heroism of the inhabitants is apt to be overshadowed by the military activities in and around the city, but from the day the Burgomaster and three prominent citizens were taken by the Germans as hostages for the payment of 70,000 francs, to the day when civilians were ordered to evacuate the heap of debris that had once been their home, they maintained a fine spirit and strove continuously to thwart the designs of the enemy.

When the effect of the first gas clouds were felt in the city the inhabitants lined the streets and handed milk and other drinks to the retreating soldiers.

Ypres must be to the British race an everlasting memorial of British valour and comradeship such as this world has never seen.

Within the Ypres Salient 250,000 British soldiers sleep, and their heroism stands enshrined in that wonderful memorial.

the Menin Gate. This memorial to 56,000 of the British Army whose fate is unknown brings to the heart of the pilgrim, perhaps attuned to sadness, those lines we shall never tire of repeating.

They shall grow not old as we that are left grow old.

Age shall not weary them, or the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,

We will remember them.

Every night at sunset, throughout the year, Belgian buglers stand under the Menin Gate and sound the "Last Post" as a tribute to those who gave their all on that part of the battle front. To those who listen comes the memory of Hell Fire Corner and the shambles of the Menin Road, and brings with it the determination to do everything in their power to prevent another such catastrophe.

The Battlefield Pilgrimage this year was cut rather short to allow us to spend a few days in Germany. So here is our programme

from day to day:-

On Saturday, July 31st, about 200 members of the British Legion and their friends left London for Ypres, via Dover and Ostend, to pay our tribute to those of our friends and comrades who fell in the heat of battle. We arrived at Ypres about ten o'clock Saturday night.

Sunday morning we left our hotel by motor-coach for a tour of the Ypres Salient, visiting many cemeteries, including Tyne Cot, Hooge, and Sanctuary Wood, arriving back at Ypres for lunch. After lunch we set out for Poperinghe, where we had tea, returning via Kemmel, &c. In the evening we met at Haig House, where we were joined by members of the Ypres Branch of the British Legion, and marched to the Menin Gate, where a short service was held on one of the ramparts of the memorial.

Monday we went for a tour of the



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Battlefields of France. Crossing the frontier at Armentieres, we travelled via La Bassee and Lens to Vimy Ridge. Here a stop was made to enable us to visit the Canadian Memorial, and also the miles of trenches and tunnels which are still preserved. From here we went on to Arras, where another stop was made to enable members of the party to make special visits to cemeteries which were not on the route. Leaving Arras in the afternoon, we returned to Ypres via Ecurie, Bethune, Estaires, &c. At night a social and dance was held, to which the British Colony in Ypres was invited, and a jolly good evening finished another long day.

This ended the Pilgrimage as far as France and Belgium is concerned. I must say again how well the cemeteries are looked after. Those which belong to Britain are real gardens of beauty, with flowers everywhere. Out of the total of rather over one million British dead, by land, sea, and air in the Great War, 185,000 are commemorated in Belgium and 530,000 are commemorated

in France. Of those who fell in Flanders over 100,000 have no known graves; their names are recorded on memorials to the missing.

These figures are striking enough in themselves, but if anyone could translate them into terms of the suffering of individual fighting men and the bereavement of their families, the sum would transcend all expression in the written or spoken word.

Tuesday morning we had our last look round Ypres, purchasing a few souvenirs, and then packing our luggage in readiness for our journey into Germany.

> CHAS. E. BLACKFORD. (To be concluded).

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During the latter end of August and early September all the Editors were away at the same time. And still the Magazine came out as usual!!! Whatever they might think themselves, we know that even Editors are not indispensable.

CRICKET SECTION BATTING AND BOWLING AVERAGES FOR 1937.

1st XI.

Matches played, 26; won, 12; drawn, 8; lost, 6.

Harris scored 3,753 runs for 241 wickets. Average, 15.57 runs per wicket. Opponents scored 3,368 runs for 233 wickets. Average 14.45 runs per wicket.

BATTING.

| | Matches | Matches | Innings. | . Times | Most in | Total | |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|----------|----------|---------|-------|----------|
| | Possible. | Played. | Played. | Not out. | Ings. | Runs. | Average. |
| R. Stevens | 26 | 19 | 19 | 2 | 119* | 521 | 30.64 |
| R. Swaffield | 26 | 24 | 25 | 0 | 91 | 736 | 29.44 |
| K. Haines | 26 | 18 | 18 | 0 | 94 | 401 | 22.27 |
| R. Goddard | 26 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 54* | 88 | 22.00 |
| J. Bromham | 26 | 15 | 15 | 3 | 70* | 213 | 17.75 |
| B. Gough | 26 | 17 | 16 | 4 | 26* | 125 | 10.41 |
| A. Bennett | 26 | 15 | 15 | 2 | 36 | 131 | 10.07 |
| G. Witchell | 26 | 9 | 8 | 0 | 23 | 80 | 10.00 |
| J. Wiltshire | 26 | 11 | 10 | 2 | 22* | 80 | 10.00 |
| A. Winter | 26 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 22 | 68 | 9.71 |
| J. Archard | 26 | 17 | 15 | 3 | 22 | 113 | 9.41 |
| E. Witchell | 26 | 23 | 20 | 1 | 43 | 161 | 8.47 |
| P. Carter | 26 | 17 | 16 | 0 | 23 | 133 | 8.31 |
| S. Drewell | 26 | 10 | 9 | -1 | 17 | 66 | 8.25 |
| A. Sutton | 26 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 21 | 46 | 7.66 |
| I. J. Taylor | 26 | 21 | 18 | 2 | 19* | 72 | 4.50 |
| W. Butler | 26 | 7 | 8 | 2 | 7 | 18 | 3.00 |
| R. B. Swaffield | 26 | 8 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 6 | 1.50 |

Qualification for President's Cup Competition, 16 matches. Winner of trophy:—R. Stevens.

Overs. Maidens. Runs. Wickets. F. I. Nash 31 5 86 1.0 G. Witchell 6 65 7 212 45 618 61

9.28 I. J. Taylor 10.13 R. B. Swaffield 127 12 10.58 A. Sutton 12 65 5 13.00 P. Carter 36 439 31 14.16 E. Witchell 116 31 324 21 15.42 R. Stevens 18 313 20 15.65 J. Wiltshire 69 17.25 R. Swaffield 10 370 21 17.61 S. Drewell 114 19.00

Total Number of Overs bowled—9601

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Qualification for President's Cup Competition, 96. Winner of trophy: -I. J. Taylor.

2nd XI.

Matches played, 19; won, 6; drawn, 1; lost; 12.

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B. Gough

Harris' scored 1,619 runs for 178 wickets. Average, 9.09 runs per wicket. Opponents scored 1,720 runs for 157 wickets. Average, 10.95 runs per wicket.

BATTING.

| | Matches | Matches. | Innings. | Times 1 | Most in | Total | | |
|--------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|---------|-------|----------|--|
| | Possible. | Played. | Played. | Not out. | Ings. | Runs. | Average. | |
| G. Witchell. | 19 | 19 | 19 | 1 | 52* | 396 | 22.00 | |
| W. King | 19 | 15 | 14 | 3 | 34* | 131 | 11.90 | |
| R. Goddard | 19 | 12 | 12 | 2 | 37* | 112 | 11.20 | |
| H. Flay | 19 | 18 | 18 | 3 | 27 | 152 | 10.13 | |
| B. Webb | 19 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 48* | 91 | 10.11 | |
| S. Wood | 19 | 10 | 10 | 1 | 21 | 62 | 6.88 | |
| W. Smith | 19 | 15 | 15 | 0 | 21 | 98 | 6.53 | |
| A. Butler | 19 | 10 | 9 | 1 | 16 | 41 | 5.12 | |
| E. Trembling | 19 | 14 | 13 | 0 | 22 | 63 | 4.84 | |
| M. Rivers | 19 | 13 | 11 | 1 | 12 | 46 | 4.60 | |
| G. Dean | 19 | 12 | 12 | 1 | 15 | 46 | 4.18 | |
| F. Wiltshire | 19 | 12 | 11 | 4 | 11* | 25 | 3.57 | |
| R. Bewley | 19 | 14 | 11 | 0 | 10 | 33 | 2.75 | |
| D. Culliford | 19 | 9 | 9 | 1 | 6 | 21 | 2.62 | |
| DOWLING | | | | | | | | |

BOWLING

| | Overs. | | Maidens. | Runs. | Wickets. | Average. |
|-------------|--------|---|----------|-------|----------|----------|
| G. Dean | 59 | | 6 | 200 | 26 | 7.69 |
| G. Witchell | 209 | | 44 | 496 | 60 | 8.26 |
| B. Webb | 74 | 1 | 12 | 214 | 21 | 10.19 |
| R. Goddard | 76 | | 12 | 225 | 22 | 10.22 |

Total number of Overs bowled: -533.

*Signifies not out.

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A Wayfarer's Note-Book.

MONACO AND THE COTE D'AZUR.

PROBABLY the most famous coast in the world is that which our friends across the Channel call the Côte d'Azur. Better known to us as the French Riviera, it has acquired great popularity with English folk by reason of the grandness of its scenery, the gorgeous colourings of its flowers, and perhaps, most of all, its wealth of health-giving sunshine.

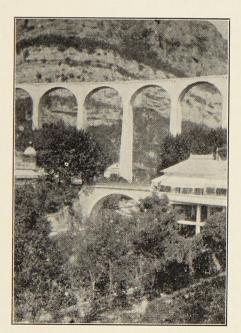
Until comparatively recent years the Riviera season lasted from January to April, but now holiday-makers are to be found there at all times of the year, the climate being ideal in the autumn and delightful even in June.

Our first acquaintance with this part of France was after a train journey from Genoa. The railway skirted the coast almost the whole way, and through the carriage windows on the one side the sun sparkled on the vividly blue waters of the Mediterranean, while on the other there was an ever-changing panorama of luxuriant vegetation, gleaming white villas, and distant mountains.

After crossing the frontier from Italy into France we came to Mentone, where the old parts of the town and the little harbour would delight the heart of an artist. A few miles further along the mountainous coast was Monte Carlo, in the Principality of Monaco. The old town of Monaco was built upon a rocky promontory, and within its precincts were a fine sixteenth century Cathedral and the Palace of the Princes of Monaco. The mere mention of Monte Carlo brings to the

mind the Casino famed throughout the world. Surrounding it are beautiful gardens, which at night time are flood-lit, and many are the folk who sit around on public benches, listening to the strains of dance music from the cafes nearby, or simply watching the world go by. In the Casino there are vast halls with glittering chandeliers, while pictures adorn over-gilded walls. The light is rather dim and all is quiet, except for the queer sound of a little ball racing round a roulette wheel. Dozens of people surrounding long green baize tables gaze solemnly at the operations of the croupiers as they see their stakes go to swell the coffers of the Casino. Many of the people who sit at the tables look as though they can ill afford to lose anything, and their lives must be a perpetual nightmare. Nevertheless, the Principality continues to thrive upon them. as well as upon the little flutters of visitors out for a bit of fun, and others who lose their fortunes at these games of chance, whether they be roulette, trente et quarante, or baccarat.

In June, if you were tall enough, you could pluck ripe oranges from trees growing on the pavement, but whether you would be allowed to do so is another matter. Lemon groves, cypresses, brilliantly-coloured oleanders, and other glorious trees and flowers



Gorge du Loup.



Monte Carlo Casino.

make the coast very beautiful, and the gardens of the various villas are a riot of wild flowers.

Between Nice and Mentone there are two Corniche roads, one high up in the mountains, the other following the sinuous coast. Although walking along the road may be rather dusty and tiring, the Lower Corniche, after leaving Monte Carlo, passes through such lovely spots as Eze, Beaulieu, and the Bay of Villefranche, which many would consider far more attractive than the larger and better-known resorts. Bathing is better also, and the mountains seem to rise almost sheer from the water's edge, while the lower slopes are dotted with dazzling white villas and semi-tropical trees and shrubs.

At Nice there are palatial hotels all along the wide Promenade des Anglais, with its tall and graceful palm trees. The beach is of huge cobbles so that bathing is not very inviting; moreover, a yard or two from the water's edge it becomes very deep in this almost tideless sea.

One of the most interesting runs from Nice is via the richly-wooded Gorge du Loup and over mountainous country to Grasse, where some mean, narrow streets lead to the perfume and fruit crystallising factories, for which the place is famous.

On the way home one catches glimpses from the train of the Mediterranean, and St. Raphael looks particularly colourful and attractive when its rocks of porphyry are seen through the pine woods in the beams of the setting sun.

After travelling all night Paris is reached early in the morning, and breaking the journey there not only makes a pleasant change but enables us to see a few of the sights of the city, the art treasures of the Louvre, the stained glass of Notre Dame, the Unknown Warrior's Tomb with its perpetual flame, beneath the Arc de Triomphe, and the open-air cafes.

WAYFARER.

Who was the young lady, so proud at having graduated from the "L" class, who swerved past two inhabitants of the Hob. at a terrific speed and nearly washed a respectable citizen to soap suds. The time was feeding time. The scene, a road leading to Calne, and the weather—well, awful. Oh, Jessie, how could you?

Our Post Bag.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

May I crave space in your Magazine (I think your Magazines are wonderful!) to reply to Old Narkovian.

He calls me to task over what he is pleased to term my colossal ignorance of cricket.

Let me in all humility inform this exmember of a very second-rate college that my knowledge of the game dates back to "W.G." I have played the game in the days when the lamp posts were more accessible than they are to-day. I have played in all weathers—sun, snow, hail, and even rain (which latter is always nowadays a signal for a dash to cover). I have played with bats, without bats; and although I have not played at the Oval I have played in many a Square.

Now for his criticism. He says I am wrong in calling the official who gave Bennett out a referee. I'll refer 'e to the next hockey match at Lickhill and he'll hear that particular individual playing most beautifully (whilst his wind lasts) on a whistle. Everyone knows that a man who blows on a whistle is a referee.

He further stated that referees run up and down the field for the amusement of the spectators.

Let him attend a football match and listen carefully, and I challenge him to say that the crowd are amused when the whistle is blown.

He calls me to task over the rotundity of "J.B." Here I will admit I was wrong; but, then, so is he. The prong, the spade, and the rake have reduced the globe, or sphere, to an oval.

Why should my remarks regarding the bachelor days of the captain have been censored?

In case Old Narkovian doesn't know it, let me tell him that all men are born bachelors.

He concludes by saying, "Had there been no Waterloo, where would Londoners who wanted to go to Waterloo go to?" What about Southend?

Old Narkovian has got a neck.
I've written the above and this'll
Jolly soon prove to him, by heck,
That referees tootle a whistle.

BORSTALIAN.

THE BROAD HIGHWAY.

The London Grocers' Exhibition is again past and gone. Our stand occupied the same position as last year in what has now come to be regarded as the Harris corner. It is interesting to record that until we moved into this particular space it had always been regarded as a dead-end at the Exhibition. Since we took it over however, this part of the Hall is looked upon as one of the most lively.

The Exhibition authorities had taken special steps this year to encourage more visitors, and there certainly seemed to be more activity on the Wednesday and Thursday of Exhibition Week than was the case on the previous two or three occasions.

Mr. Bodinnar, Mr. Redman, and the whole of the staff on the stand were kept very busy dealing with customers from all over the country.

We were glad to see Mr. Israel, who had travelled overnight, with quite a considerable party of his customers from North Wales. We gave this party tea in a small room in the Hall, and this seemed to be greatly appreciated.

The free travel voucher in return for orders placed at the Exhibition to the value of £50 proved of particular interest to a number of our Scotch friends, whom we were very glad to see.

We had a special show of the Christmas Specialities, and these attracted a great deal of attention, as did the special new cartons for the larger pies.

The Bacon Marketing Board Stand came in for a lot of attention, visitors being particularly interested in Suzanne and her litter of 12 strong little pigs; Suzanne being a Large White sow which was installed in a special pen as part of the exhibit.

The various competitions attracted larger entries than ever. Harris goods were very prominent in this section, as Harris bacon was used exclusively in the cutting-up competitions, and Harris goods were used extensively for the window and counter dressing.

The Bristol Grocers' Exhibition took place from the 6th to the 16th of October at the Coliseum. It was, of course, not on the same scale as London, but was a very bright little show and received a good deal of attention from the general public. During the first week the Band of the Argvll and Sutherland Highlanders was in attendance. and during the second week Syd Seymour and his Mad Hatters' Band. Both these bands drew the crowds: in fact, some exhibitors complained that there was "too much band." as this sometimes had the effect of taking away interest from the stands; but, at any rate, the bands did serve to get crowds into the hall, and after this it was up to the individual stand-holders.

There was a good attendance of the Trade on the early-closing days. Our representatives and Van Salesmen were able to meet a large number of their customers and prospective customers on these days, and in the evenings.

Miss Fellows and the two demonstrators had a busy time with the retail sales, which resulted in a good total by the end of the Exhibition.

We congratulate Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Knott, of Glasgow, on the birth of a son on September 1st.

Van Salesman J. A. Hodgson has taken over Van 3 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Van Salesman H. Bird.

Relief Salesman G. L. Hardy is now carrying on the duties of Van Salesman on London Van 20.

Relief Salesman Evan Anthony is in the same capacity on Colwyn Bay Van 62.

We are glad to say that Mr. J. Tingle is making good progress after his visit to the Watford Peace Memorial Hospital. It was feared that Mr. Tingle would have to undergo an operation, but with treatment this has been avoided and we hope that he will soon be restored to his usual health and strength.

I.H.G.



At Calne Parish Church on September 4th, Miss Margaret Wheeler was married to Mr. Leonard Maslen, of Devizes.

The bride was given away by her brother-in-law and wore a dress of pink crepe suede, pink picture hat, with floral trimmings, white suede shoes and white gloves, and carried an ivorine Prayer-book. Miss Wheeler was seven years in the Kitchen Department.

On September 18th, at Calne Parish Church, Miss Nesta Henly was married to Mr. Clement Gregory, of Calne. The bride, given away by her brother, wore a white satin robe cut on classical lines, embroidered veil and wreath of orange blossom, white satin shoes, and carried an ivorine Prayer-book. Twin nieces were the bride's attendants. They wore dresses of lemon crepe, with head-dresses of pale pink daisies, white shoes and socks, and carried white-beaded handbags, the gifts of the bridegroom.

The Rovers formed a guard of honour as the bridal couple left the church; also the local firemen attended the wedding in uniform.

Miss Henly was over twelve years in the Kitchen Department and was the recipient of an easy chair and shopping basket from her colleagues.

The marriage of Miss Noreen Maslen to S./Pilot V. C. R. Morrison took place at Upnor Church, Rochester. The church was decorated with tall gold standards filled with pastel-coloured flowers.

The bride was given away by her cousin, and wore a navy blue costume, navy blue shoes, white halo hat, white gloves, and carried an ivory Prayer-book. One bridesmaid was in attendance, dressed in pale tulle over a dark blue satin, pale blue picture hat, and carried a sheaf of carnations.

Miss Maslen was about two years in the

Tin Department, and was the recipient of a case of fruit knives from the department.

The wedding of Mr. J. F. Smellie and Miss J. D. Thyne took place at Glasgow on September 15th.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a gown of ivory satin, with halo and veil of Brussels lace, and carried a bouquet of Harrisii lilies.

Mr. Smellie was presented with a sectional bookcase by his colleagues at Calne.



A SPECIAL WORD TO THE KNIGHTS OF THE ROAD.

Has it ever occurred to you that if you made a special point of sending us one funny story each month that your effort, combined with that of all other representatives and van salesmen, would provide the material for at least one page?

Incidentally, to have the knowledge that at least one page of our Magazine is provided for each month would help prevent that worried expression, which is so noticeable on the faces of our Editors as each publication day approaches.

A SPECIAL APPEAL.

The People's Dispensary for Sick Animals (P.D.S.A.) are making special efforts to collect 5,000 "Daily Mirror" tokens before Christmas.

We confidently appeal to all our readers to help them.

Tokens can be sent to Mr. G. H. Hudson, or they can be handed to Mrs. Redman, or Mrs. James, who are in attendance with the van each Monday.

Please get the token habit, and send them along.

It is not much individually, but collectively they go a long way towards covering the expenses of this much sought-after and well-deserved service.





1st XI.

Garrards usually offer us a stiff task, and no exception to this was experienced this year. At Swindon, on September 14th, against a score of 157, we could only collect 59 for nine wickets, and of these the extras scored 20. Undoubtedly our worst performance of the season. We tried seven bowlers, and I. J. Taylor, five wickets for 37 runs, was excellent. P. Carter three wickets for 36 and two-run outs accounted for the rest of the wickets.

Garrards, 157; Harris, 59 for nine wickets. Match drawn.

The return match with Garrards, at Lickhill, on September 11th, proved to be the last of the season, and again our opponents had the better of us. Batting first, they made 209 for eight wickets; a brilliant exhibition of batting on the part of S. Hayward greatly contributed to this total. In his 61 twelve fours were hit, and it will be long remembered by I. J. Taylor, for five fours in succession were hit off his bowlingprobably another record in a record-making season. Seven bowlers were tried with the following successes: -R. B. Swaffield three wickets for 43 runs, I. J. Taylor two for 54, G. Witchell one for 15, A. E. Whieldon and R. Swaffield one for 24 each. Catches were made by J. Bromham, I. J. Taylor, and D. Horner.

Replying to this total, we could only make 116, and to R. Swaffield, who was eighth out for a splendid innings of 46, we owe much. Only two other players reached double figures, G. Witchell and J. Archard both making 22.

Garrards, 209 for eight wickets; Harris, 116. Match lost.

Reviewing the past season, the writer has the pleasure of recording wonderful doings. Twenty-six matches were played, 12 were won, 6 lost, and 8 drawn—these latter were mostly in our favour.

It has been a record season, so much that doubtless it will be interesting reading in the present and a handy reference for the future were all the club records to be collected together, so here is an attempt.

The following are the records made this season:—

- 1.—No matches scratched throughout the season through weather conditions. (The only match scratched was the last, when our opponents could not raise a team.)
- 2.—Highest number of runs made in a season, 3,753.
- 3.—Highest average per wicket, 15.57.
- 4.—Second-highest number of wins in a season, 12; best, 13, in 1935.
- 5.—Highest number of runs in a season by a player, 736, R. Swaffield. (Previous best, 374 in 1935 by R. Swaffield). The following also this season broke the previous record:—R. Stevens, 521; K. Haines, 401.
- 6.—Highest average 30.64 by R. Stevens. (Previous best, 24.5, in 1926, J. E. Bromham. R. Swaffield also this season broke the previous record with an average of 29.44).
- 7.—Highest individual score, R. Stevens, 119 not out, on June 23rd v. Nalgo. (Previous best R. Swaffield, 118 not out, on July 26th, 1930, v. Devizes.)
- 8.—Highest 1st wicket stand, 159, K. Haines and R. Swaffield, June 17th, v. Calne Town.
- 9.—Highest 2nd wicket stand, 167, R. Swaffield and J. E. Bromham, August 7th, v. Marlborough College Staff.

These records almost exhaust the list, but the following not mentioned above are included for future reference. We wish it to be understood that in the cases of the highest and lowest score of our opponents

the figures are subject to revision as the records are merely hearsay, and at the moment no written testimony is available in support of them.

Club's highest score, 283, August 5th, 1935, v. Old Colstonians.

Opponents' highest score, 244, 1919, v. Melksham.

Club's lowest score, 13, 1924, v. Marlborough College Staff.

Opponents' lowest score, 6, Whit Monday, 1934, v. Swindon St. John.

Third wicket stand, 160, R. Swaffield and S. Sandford, July 26th, 1930, v. Devizes.

Best bowling performances, 9 wickets for 21 runs, H. Hill, 1923, v. Calne Town; and 6 wickets for 2 runs, B. Gough, May 25th, 1935, v. Warminster; I. J. Taylor, 6 wickets for 8 runs, June 13th, 1935, v. Saxbys; also 5 wickets for 6 runs, June 8th, v. Saltford, 1928; and 8 wickets for 16 runs, v. G. W. R., July 22nd, 1933.

Most wickets taken in a season, 66, H. Hill in 1923.

Best bowling average, 4.5, I. J. Taylor, in 1931.

2nd XI.

Elsewhere will be seen the averages of both 1st and 2nd XI.'s, but we cannot allow them to be passed over without a reference to the performance of G. Witchell, the 2nd XI. captain. He has, indeed, played a captain's part. Playing in every match, he topped the batting averages with the splendid average of 22; and in bowling obtained 60 wickets at a cost per wicket of 8.26.

CLUB NOTES.

The first of the season's Whist Drives was held at the Woodlands, on Wednesday, September 29th. There were 19 tables. The prizes were 10cwts., 5cwts., 3cwts., and 2cwts. of coal to the first four ladies and gentlemen, and the prize-winners as follows:—

Ladies—1st, Mrs. Chandler, 174; 2nd, Miss A. Haines, 170; 3rd, Mrs. Gingell, 166; 4th, Mrs. Ashman, 165.

Gentlemen—1st, Mr. W. Prior, 175; 2nd, Mr. G. Davis, 174; 3rd, Mrs. A. Turner (as gentleman), 173; 4th, Mr. B. Cleverly, 173

Two prizes (2cwts. of coal each), in respect of tickets sold in advance (lady and gentleman), were won by Mrs. E. L. Johns and Mr. W. Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Redman attended the drive, and Mrs. Redman kindly presented vouchers to the winners.

A second drive took place on Friday, 7th October, when voucher prizes to ladies and gentlemen value 10s. 6d., 7s. 6d., and 5s. were offered. There were 20 tables. The winners were:—

Ladies—1st, Mrs. G. Carter, 176; 2nd, Mrs. F. Corrick, 170; 3rd, Mrs. R. Stanley, 169.

Gentlemen—1st, Miss D. J. Bouillon (as gentleman), 176; 2nd, Mr. H. Hurle, 174; 3rd, Mrs. G. Smith (as gentleman), 170.

A snowball prize, value 5s., offered at the first drive for the highest score over 185 was not won, and the value was increased to 7s. 6d. for a score over 184 at the second drive. As the prize was not then won it will be increased to 10s. and offered for a similar score at a drive to be held on Friday, 29th October.

Mr. P. Carter was a very efficient M.C. at both these drives and was ably assisted by Mr. T. Clark.

Excellent arrangements for refreshments were very satisfactorily carried out by Mr. and Mrs. Winstone.

These were two most enjoyable evenings, and we look forward to many more during the coming season. There is no doubt the *best* whist drives are arranged at the Woodlands.

By the time these notes are in the hands of employees the Inter-Departmental Billiards League for the President's Challenge Cup will have commenced. Seven teams have entered as follows:—Boning, Kitchen, Office, Warehouse, Slaughter, Engineers (2 teams).

The Slaughter Department are the holders, and it is certain some keen matches will be played.

Two points will be awarded to the winning team on the aggregate points scored in each game. In the event of a draw the points will be shared. Four miniature cups will be awarded to the winners, and four prizes, value 5s. each, to the runners-up.

A special appeal to the above teams, and to the captains in particular, to see that fixtures are properly and sportingly fulfilled, as the success and enjoyment of the competition so much depends on this.

The first half fixtures will be found in this Magazine.

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The entries for the Billiards and Snooker Knock-out Competitions have also been received, and here again an appeal is made to all players to arrange suitable dates with their opponents within the prescribed time allotted for each round.

Prizes for these competitions are:-1st prize, special cue or voucher, value 15s.: 2nd prize, 10s.; runners-up in semi-final, 5s. in each handicap.

Suggestions are earnestly invited from employees for any games, social evenings, or any other functions at the Woodlands. The President at the opening ceremony said: "It is for your enjoyment—make use of it." Are you? If not, why? This sumptuouslyequipped Club House is for your use and pleasure.

F.H.A.

BILLIARDS LEAGUE, 1937-38.

FIXTURE LIST—FIRST HALF. 1937.

Oct. 19.—Boning v. Engineers A.

21.—Engineers B. v. Kitchen. 22.—Office v. Slaughter.

26.—Engineers A. v. Warehouse.

28.—Boning v. Engineers B.

29.—Kitchen v. Office.

Nov. 2.—Slaughter v. Warehouse.

4.—Boning v. Kitchen.

5.—Engineers A. v. Office.

9.—Engineers B. v. Slaughter.

11.—Boning v. Warehouse.

12.—Engineers A. v. Kitchen. 16.—Engineers B. v. Office.

18.—Boning v. Slaughter.

19.—Kitchen v. Warehouse.

23.—Engineers A. v. Engineers B.

25.—Office v. Warehouse.

26.—Kitchen v. Slaughter.

30.—Engineers B. v. Warehouse.

Dec. 2.—Boning v. Office.

3.—Engineers A. v. Slaughter.

Each game will be decided according to the aggregate number of points scored by the members of each team. Two points for a win; one point to each team if a draw.

Second-half fixtures will be prepared early in the New Year.

GOOD SPORT(S).

It is Wednesday, the 22nd September. and a social evening is being held in the Woodlands Club House. The Avon Sports Club (Melksham) are playing us at billiards and table tennis.

They are a fine lot of fellows, and before we start the games we know, just by conversing with them, that we shall enjoy ourselves-win or lose. This was so, and a very amiable and pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

The Avon Sports billiards team are used to playing in League billiards at home, so we were quite satisfied to draw with them.

Although A. Clark lost to G. May by 125—150, it was quite exciting watching two such clever exponents of the game.

V. Dolman beat P. Hutchins by 150-132, after a very steady and strategic game, and credit must be given his opponent in sticking at him.

S. Salter lost to R. Simmons, 125—150. I did not see this game, but understand S. Salter missed an easy shot, as everyone does at times, when well set for a good break, and his opponent was able to seize the advantage and run out the winner.

A very close game resulted in S. Toogood beating R. Petty, 150-144. S. Toogood was 20 ahead when about 140, but his opponent never gave up trying, and was rather unfortunate when Toogood, requiring four for game, played a cannon, from which his opponent's ball slowly travelled into the pocket, giving him the two required for game.

I am given to understand the table tennis was very good, and judging by the score-sheet this is quite feasible, the games resulting as follows :-

Opponents in order of results were: P. Roberts, P. Strugnell, and K. Wells.

A Dixon won 21-11, 15-21, 21-13; won 19-21, 21-12, 21-18; won 21-14,17-21,21-14.

H. Smart lost 18-21, 19-21; won 21-19. 24-26, 21-16; won 21-10, 16-21, 21-13. J. Bull lost 19-21, 17-21; lost 21-19.

17-21, 16-21; won 21-10, 18-21, 21-16. A "tuck-in" followed the games, and

what we called a jolly good evening finished at ten o'clock. A word of thanks to Mr. Tom Clark, who saw everything went off all right. It did,

Tom; thanks, very much. P.S.—We shall be playing a return match in the near future.

The Hockey Section has started in good style. A good sprinkling of new members to make the club more dependable, a new enthusiasm to carry the programme through, and a new garb to adorn its members, and, it is hoped, to increase their powers and efficiency.

At the annual general meeting, held at the Woodlands, on September 20th, the usual business was transacted, the principal feature of which was the satisfactory balancesheet the Hon. Treasurer presented. The credit balance of £6 is a testimony of careful control and good management. In connection with this a special vote of thanks was passed to those non-playing ladies who, by their efforts in catering, enabled the club to make a profit of £1 13s. 7d. on their teas.

The Hon. Secretary (Miss M. Angell), in presenting her report, mentioned that of 22 matches played 7 were won, 4 drawn, and 11 lost. There were 12 matches scratched and 62 goals were scored as against 71 by opponents.

The following officers were elected for the forthcoming season :-

Chairman and representative on Grounds Committee—Mr. R. B. Swaffield (who was accorded thanks for acting as umpire).

Hon. secretary and treasurer—Miss Margaret Angell.

Captain—Miss K. Angell. Vice-captain—Miss M. Cleverley.

Committee—Misses Molly Angell, G. Barton, M. Giddings, F. Henley, M. Jefferies, C. McRae, and P. Rubery.

After two or three evening practices the season opened on September 22nd with a win by 5 goals to 2 against the Avon Rubber Co. The game was conspicuous by its openness, contributed largely by the stronghitting backs, M. Giddings and M. Jefferies. Their clearances were so strong that the forwards had their task made lighter than usual as they could well stay up the field and await the return of the ball instead of rushing back to fetch it. The scorers were K. Angell (2), Molly Angell, Joan Angell, and C. McRae.

This good beginning was maintained on September 25th, when Christchurch Ladies

visited Lickhill, and we won by 2-0. Again the defence proved our strength and could not be penetrated. Two goals, both from the stick of K. Angell, were sufficient to win, but many opportunities for further scoring were not taken advantage of. A little more deftness and quickness in shooting at goal is wanted, and possibly a little less anxiety to score would bring about more scoring, for coolness is an attribute conducive to success in most games.

However, two good wins to start the season with is encouraging.

HOCKEY FIXTURES, 1937-38.

Sept. 22.—H. Avon, Melksham.

25.—H. Christchurch. ,,

29.—A. Trowbridge, Nalgo (Mixed).

Oct. 2.—A. Wills'.

9.—H. Holt (Mixed).

16.—A. Bradford.

23.—H. Holcombe (Mixed).

30.—H. Trowbridge.

Nov. 6.—A. Stothert & Pitts. 13.—H. Trowbridge U.D. (Mixed).

27.—H. Oldfield Park.

Dec. 4.—

,, 11.—H. Stothert & Pitts.

18.—A. G.W.R.

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1.—H. Devizes. Jan.

8.—

15.—H. Wills'.

22.—A. Oldfield Park.

29.—H. Bradford.

Feb. 5.—A. Devizes.

12.—A. Holt (Mixed).

19.—H. G.W.R.

26.—A. Christchurch. Mar. 5.—

12.—A. Trowbridge U.D. (Mixed).

19.—A. Marlborough.

26.—A. Trowbridge.

April 2.—H. Marlborough.

9.—A. Holcombe (Mixed).

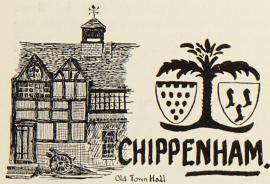
20.—H. Trowbridge Nalgo (Mixed).

23.—H. Shrivenham.

* * * PRO BONO.

The "footless stocking without a leg" is a gag so very well known. But have you heard that in our Factory we have a "boneless bone "?

See Transfer No. 8239: -5cwt. Boneless Bones!!!!



Sick List.

We are all sorry that Mr. R. Edwards has not made the progress we were hoping he would. Unfortunately it has been necessary to remove him to the Royal United Hospital, Bath, and all his colleagues hope that the treatment he is receiving will prove successful and ere long he will be restored to good health.

We are pleased to report that all our other friends mentioned in the last issue have completely recovered and are now back at their usual jobs.

Dance.

The Welfare Association commenced their social activities for this season with a Dance in the Town Hall on Wednesday, 22nd September, 1937.

This proved to be one of the most successful events so far organised by the Association. Over 200 people were present and enjoyed the music, which was once again ably supplied by the Embassey Dance Orchestra.

The arrangements were carried out by the Welfare Committee, but special mention must be made of the untiring efforts of the joint hon. secretaries in making it so successful

W.H.W.

Football.

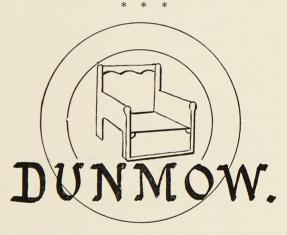
Our football team commenced the season with a match v. the G.W.R. Staff, on their ground at Cocklebury.

Our opponents were unlucky in having to start with only eight players, but even with this handicap they held our men in the opening stages. Lem and Heath were a constant worry to their defence, and it was no surprise when Butler sent Lem away to open the score after a quarter of an hour. Heath increased the lead ten minutes later, after a run on the right, in which Burchell and Williams figured prominently.

Half-time arrived with the score at 2—0. The G.W.R. were by no means a spent force, and on resuming attacked with renewed vigour. Our defence was sorely tried, but Simpkins and Clifford were resolute backs, and Timberlake was holding the fort well. However, the G.W.R. were not to be denied, and Baker eventually broke through to score. This only proved to stimulate our team, and a long pass by Yeates down the wing to Hazell, who sent Heath away to score again with a good shot.

The closing minutes in the dusk did not produce much good football. Hanks, who was playing better at half-back, tackled well, and with Yates playing a sound game in the centre, they held the opposing forwards until the whistle brought a most enjoyable game to a close, the score being 3—1.

E.C.H.



We at Dunmow are pleased to supply the lines under the heading "Armistice Day," as our effort for this month. The "V.D.G." is, when interpreted, 5th Dragoon Guards, the author having been for many years in that regiment. At great risk we tell you that the author is Mr. R. W. Short, one of our regular employees.

We should like to say also that Mr. William Gladstone Spurgeon, who is so ill again, and has been for almost three months, has our sympathy. There is a very stubborn ulcer internally which has been a trouble to him for years apparently, and which the doctors are now trying to disperse. Nothing

but milk for a month, and maybe longer than that, is a poor diet for a man to live on, and no wonder that our friend gets tired of it. He certainly deserves all our sympathy.

ARMISTICE DAY.

Another Day of Remembrance,
Another mile on our way,
We, who are left, remember
Our comrades who passed away.

Lives that were full of promise

Answered their country's call,

"Right before might" their watchword,
Gladly they gave their all.

They lie in their grim fields of battle,
Midst poppies and cornflowers blue,
Awaiting that grand reveille
When we shall have joined them, too.

Sleep on, sleep on, our comrades;
Sleep on, you have earned your rest,
You'll not grow old and weary
As we do, the comrades you left.

The years that have passed are but milestones,
Soon we shall fall into line,
Then for that great re-union,
Comrades again for all time.

V.D.G.



Eastleigh's Hospital Jubilee Carnival, held the first week in September, was a triumphant event, providing the town with a week of excitement and entertainment which surpassed anything hitherto attained.

As usual, the chief events were the processions on the Wednesday and Saturday, which were very satisfactory.

It is hoped that as a result of these endeavours there will be a clear profit of £800 for allocation to the various hospitals.

Our football team is showing good promise in the Eastleigh and District League, and the September fixtures necessitated meeting the "high lights" of the League. The results were:—Romsey Town, lost 2—1; Running Sheds, won 3—2; R.A.F., lost 5—1. The goal scorers being:—E. Angell 2, L. Toogood 2, R. Garnett 1.

Our fellows need not be discouraged by the two reverses as they are playing attractive football and the matches have been full of interest.

Overheard at the Running Sheds match: First Supporter—"Eh, they have'nt been beaten yet." Second Supporter—"Yes, they have; they drew last week."

A hefty charge by one of our opponents caused one of our hearties to exclaim, "Eh, you are not pushing locomotives now, mind!"

We often fail in our strongest point, just because we think it unnecessary to guard against it.

EASTLEIGHAN.

HICHBRIDGE.

On Friday, the 1st October, 1937, Mr. Kidley, with all available members of the Creamery, Factory, and Office staffs, gathered in the Office for presentations.

The first was to Mr. C. A. Cross, one of our more recent additions to the Factory staff, and took the form of a clock, which had been subscribed by his fellow workmates on the occasion of his marriage. Mr. Kidley presented the clock on behalf of the staff and wished Mr. and Mrs. Cross a happy married life, to which Mr. Cross suitably responded.

The second was to Mr. "Harry" Strange, who, after 47 years service, has retired at his own request. In making the presentation, a suitably-inscribed clock, Mr.

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Kidley said it was with mixed feelings he did so. He was glad on the one hand that Harry had been able to take up a very well-earned retirement, and sorry on the other that they would be losing him. He said that he hoped he, and he was sure his listeners, would be able to feel at the end of their working days that they had done their duty as faithfully and well.

Mr. Strange, who was visibly affected, thanked everyone, and three cheers and the singing of "For he's a Jolly Good Fellow" ended the proceedings.

Now that the summer holidays are completed we are all settling down once again to the normal routine. Fortunately pigs during the past week or two have been in more plentiful supply than for some months, and we hope that this will continue to the benefit of all.

R.C.L.

WINTER SPORT—SKITTLES

We have started our season in the series of matches in the Highbridge and District League in new surroundings, playing on a new alley at The Hotel, Highbridge, formerly the Highbridge Inn, famous for the changing of horses in the old coaching days between Bristol and Exeter, before the coming of railways. This alley is quite a different type to what we have usually been accustomed to play on, and we think that before the season is ended we shall have learned a few more wrinkles in the game.

We have very little to report for the opening games, having lost in the three matches played.

Now the preliminary canter is over our team must pull together and go all out to obtain those points necessary to put us on

the upward road on the table.

During the current month we hope to hold our first round in the popular "Anne Kidley Cup" Competition. Who is going to be the champion this season, we wonder? It is to be hoped that someone fresh will be in the running. Let's make this competition keen this season; it certainly makes it more interesting to all competitors.

We are now looking forward to receiving a visit from our friends at Chippenham, on Saturday, 9th October. They are due to engage us in football and skittles, in the competition promoted by our worthy and respected Managing Director. We hope the weather will continue fine on this occasion. May the best team win.

C.B.S.



Once more the clocks have gone back to normal time, and we have said "good-bye" to the summer of 1937. We, in East Anglia, were favoured with a very fine September and, indeed, October has started extremely well.

Things in general are not too bad with the Ipswich Branch—certainly there has been plenty of work to do. Just now we are planning to welcome some 170 Norfolk and Suffolk Farmers to our Factory, and we are very pleased to hear that Mr. R. P. Redman will be with us on that day.

Our Sports and Social Club, having had a very successful summer season, are now busily engaged in preparations for the winter campaign, and our darts experts are getting into training.

The wedding bells were ringing briskly in September, no fewer than three members of our staff being married in that month. On September 1st Miss L. Reeve (Slaughter Department) became Mrs. Baker. On the 11th, Mr. D. Rands (Lard Department) was married to Miss M. E. Gardiner, and on the 18th Mr. R. Shipsey (Stores Department) led Miss M. Lawrence to the altar.

To each of these couples we signified in the usual manner our good wishes, Mr. Ludgate being our spokesman. We wish them all the best.

Congratulations, too, to Mr. R. Keeble, whose wife has given birth to a son. We are pleased to learn that both mother and son are doing well.

Our sick-list is small, the only absentees at the moment being Mr. T. Meekins (Piggeries) and Mr. A. Garrard (Cellar), and we are hoping very soon to have them back with us again.

We were sorry to hear of the sudden

illness of Mrs. G. Gegg, who has been taken to the Hospital, and hope that she will soon be well again.

A.H.M.



November once again, and with it the signs of approaching winter: the month when one begins to feel the cold, the drizzle, and the fog. Change and decay, no doubt, but we are often pleasantly surprised to have a spell of gloriously crisp, sunny weather.

We were interested to come across an article regarding travellers, not the two legged travellers this time, but the four legged species which travel to shows and markets, and not of their own free will. Enquiries have been made as to what class of animal usually sold in the marts round here does the most travelling. There are dairy beasts, fat beasts, pigs, and hundreds of sheep and calves. Investigation goes to show that the pig carries the palm. Not because he makes the most noise when being loaded or unloaded—though that is a fact—but because he must of necessity be borne from place to place.

Of horses, cattle, sheep, goats, and pigs the pig is both the worst walker and the greatest traveller. Both cattle and sheep travel further, but not so often. Last year nearly half the pigs in the country made a train journey, and probably a million travelled by road. Pigs are very difficult to walk; their bulk is too great for their feet over any distance. How difficult they are to drive is painfully apparent to anyone who has tried it. They seem to have twelve different senses of direction, and not two coincide.

Talking of pigs, here is a problem for British farmers. What direction does a pig's tail take when it curls?

American experts are baffled. One famous pig raiser and judge at fairs made it clear that there was no doubt that a pig's

tail should have a "permanent wave." Its failure to do so was a clear indication that all was not well with the animal. He gives his opinion that the proper direction for the pig's tail was counter clockwise, but he admits that he would not discriminate in the show ring against a clockwise specimen. Veterinaries have split hopelessly on the issue. Perhaps some of our friends down south can throw some light on the subject.

THIS FREEDOM

Back again, after a little rest and a little wandering with a little leisure for thinking, it has occurred to me to thank my lucky stars I am in Britain, and am permitted to have thoughts, and express them. This freedom is a very precious heritage. Only in the lands of the free is this heritage still real; while in others it would seem that, without some new impulse, or some old impulse made effective in the hearts of man and in the vision of the leaders, mankind would appear to be doomed.

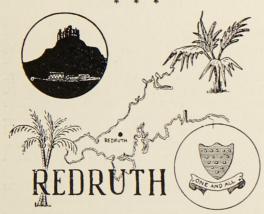
I do not propose to develop this theme further than to remark upon the divergence of views publicly expressed in our newspapers, on our platforms, in our pulpits and rostrums, and in our Parliament. Yet we all labour happily together and tolerate each other without suppressions and concentration camps and inquisitions; and, strangely enough, if this freedom of Press and thought were jeopardized, we would unite as one man in its defence.

There is a lot to be said for systems where one Head may command, whose word is law. We have all toyed with the idea. It is a tempting short cut. But in our system our truly great and capable leaders would be the first to abjure any wish to have more than the privilege of highest service for the common good. And the corollary of that is loyalty to our chosen leaders. Strong men may usurp power by force, but great men accept responsibility (when chosen) from a deep sense of duty. The leaders of a freedom-loving people emerge from the ranks by way of ability and character, and we respect and honour them, and follow their guidance because of their fundamental worth.

Permit me to quote an attempt, made many years ago in his youth by Professor John Hilton to set down his notion of this point. Turn the thought over and over, and ask yourself what about it?

"The world I want to see is a world of sovereign beings, each standing on his own feet among his own kind, in surroundings constantly shaping and shaped by him: a world in which each has a personal contribution to make to the sum total of human emotion and thought and achievement: a world in which each has the will and the strength and the means to make it."

G.S.C.



Summer has gone. The last visitors, like the Arabs, have folded away their tents and Cornwall is once again the land of the Cornish.

This month there has been inaugurated a new form of travel for these parts of the county. An air service to the Isles of Scilly has commenced. Instead of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ hours by

boat the airway completes the journey in under twenty minutes. The sea crossing to the Isles is a notoriously rough one, and there are very few visitors who do not at some time suffer from sea sickness.

The landing ground on the mainland is situated at Lands End, where accommodation for several planes is provided. At the moment one crossing each way is made every morning, irrespective of passengers, but it is hoped that this will be extended later. The plane leaves St. Mary's, in Scilly, and arrives at Lands End in time for passengers to catch a bus to Penzance, arriving there in time to catch the Cornish Riviera Express.

Tom Cooke is still on the sick list, suffering from a poisoned hand, and W. H. May is now away. We hope that these will soon recover.

Jack Merritt is still in hospital suffering from the effects of a very nasty cycling accident. Reports of him are now more cheerful, and we hope that he will regain the use of his arm.

A.J.C.

CRICKET SECTION.

PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

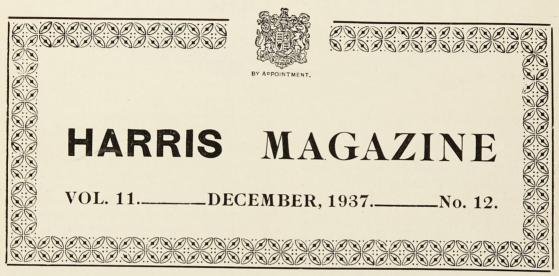
A GRAND 'XMAS CARNIVAL WHIST DRIVE

will be held at the WOODLANDS, on WEDNES-DAY, DECEMBER 15th.

Further particulars will follow in the next issue of the Magazine.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

LEAGUE TABLE AS AT OCTOBER 26TH, 1937. Drawn. Pts. Ob. Won. Lost. Played. 11 6 1 23 Boning and Rinding..... 18 9 3 0 Slaughter (A) 12 18 7 Printing, Lard, &c. 15 8 0 16 12 7 4 1 15 Engineers 12 7 4 1 15 Basement 7 2 0 14 Slaughter (B) 9 5 4 0 9 10 Office 5 10 0 10 Kitchen 15 4 8 0 8 Warehouse 12 4 8 0 8 Retort, &c. 12 7 Front Yard 3 11 1 15 3 6 0 6 Curing Rooms 9



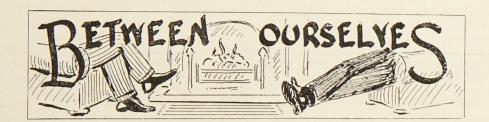


T is a matter for congratulation that 99 per cent. of our fellow-workers are now members of the Harris (Calne) Employees' Benefit Society. For 15 years its membership has grown year by year, and its financial soundness has been assured by skilful and careful management.

Owing to the increased cost of benefits the share-out will be smaller than usual, but members will have the satisfaction of knowing that to a greater degree than in the past the society has been able to offer a helping hand to those in need of material help through sickness or bereavement.

Hidden beneath the annual reports and balance-sheets of the society there is a story of real help in time of need, administered with sympathy and understanding. Another report which makes its appearance at this time of the year relates to the work of the Harris Welfare Association. Some of the recreational branches of the association have aroused fresh interest during the past year; but, on the whole, the general interest is far less keen than it should be. Those branches of the parent company who have formed Welfare Associations certainly appear to appreciate and use the facilities offered to a greater degree than their fellow-workers at Calne.

It is to be hoped that the annual meeting will be full and representative, and that any member who has any suggestion to make likely to increase the usefulness of the association will not hesitate to do so.



A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL.

I am writing this on the eve of Armistice Day, 1937. The Armistice Day of 1918 was heralded as the conclusion of a World War that had been prosecuted to end War. In our grateful thoughts of remembrance we shall not be able to escape the facts which dominate 1937. We have not succeeded in ending war. The memory of Abyssinia is still with us. This morning the papers are full of the reports of the fall of Shanghai in the current war between China and Japan. In Spain Spaniard fights Spaniard, with the help on both sides of armed men from other countries.

Of late there may have been a wavering in the minds of the faithful as to the efficacy of the League of Nations. The British Government's hopes and plans for the strengthening of that League were forcibly put by the Prime Minister in his last Guildhall speech. Mr. Chamberlain then put, as it seemed to some of us who heard him speak over the wireless, a question to all the nations of the world. The need for that question, and the ringing way in which it was put, deserve the thought and consequent action not only of every world statesman but of every thinking man and woman in the world's nations. I make no apology for reproducing what he said :-

"WHAT OF THE FUTURE?"

"I want to direct your minds for a few moments more to the consideration of a subject of serious import to us all. Perhaps I may put my subject in the form of a question.

"What sort of future are we trying to create for ourselves and for our children?

"Are we trying to make a world in which the peoples that inhabit it shall be able to live out their lives in peace of mind and in the enjoyment of a constantly rising standard of all that makes life worth living, of health and comfort, of recreation and of culture?

"Or are we preparing for ourselves a future which is to be one perpetual night-mare, filled with the constant dread of the horrors of war, forced to bury ourselves below ground, and to spend all our substance upon the weapons of destruction?

"One had only to state this alternative to be sure that human nature, which was the same all the world over, must reject the nightmare with all their might and cling to the only prospect which could give them happiness."

I have ventured to wish you all a merry Christmas. The truest merriment is exhibited when personal happiness, founded on free and open-hearted service, dominates a life.

> "A heart at leisure from itself To soothe and sympathise."

Do not these sentiments represent the worth-while objectives of all human endeavour? They denote convictions put into practice. They denote happiness based on peaceful minds. And in all this welter of preparation for defence against attack, and amid all the bombastic cries of overstated Nationalism, is it not worth while once again to seek the ways of universal peace in the world, so that mankind may move to its peacefully quiet destiny. A true perception of the inner meaning of Christmas, 1937, must help to such a desirable end.



Christmas and Watford.

NE of the advantages of having a House Mag. is that through it we are brought into close touch with "friends elsewhere." It is our B.B.C. that carries our messages. We can "tell the world"—our own little world of C. & T. This month, through its convenient medium, we who are contributors to its pages tell our world. The message we send is the old message of peace on earth, goodwill towards men. Christmas comes but once a year, and before its majesty all else becomes insignificant. Now I send my greetings to all—"A very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year."

I had just spent a Sunday evening in writing my monthly article and I had called it "Watford." Then I received a note from our Editors saying they would like articles sent in to be about Christmas. Of course. they are quite right. There is, however, a slight objection. Christmas has quite naturally been overwritten, and it is almost impossible to find anything about it that is novel. Various things have cropped updays passed, and to-day (again Sunday) I find this job of work undone. I hope, therefore. I may be excused if I use some of the matter that I find in my Watford article, for I fancy I can use it so as to fit in rather well. When I wrote it you may be sure I had not forgotten Christmas, and I had opened with the passage above. Now, on with the job.

Place names are very intriguing and interesting. Every name, or title, must have a story. London! The name tells us quite a lot, but originally it was spelt Llyn-don (Celtic), a place with a fort situated on a lake or lagoon, London river being here a tidal estuary which covered all the low-lying land—the City part stands clear on a hill—on which Rotherhithe, Southwark, Lambeth, and Hackney are situated. Ernest Raymond's grand novel, "The Marsh," is all about East London, built on what was a marsh.

Llyn-don came on the map about the time of King Alfred, the real founder, who saw the place as the best bulwark against the Danish invasion, for on its Eastern side it was defended by the River Lea and extensive

marshes, such as Hackney Marsh. Time brings all sorts of changes.

The Port of London, starting as a bulwark against Danish invasion, was destined to become the chief port of entry—free, gratis, and for nothing, of another sort of Danish invasion—a friendly intrusion, not of warriors, but of foods.

Long, long before Llyn-don was a place on a primitive chart, it was surrounded by forest and swamp and was the habitation of huge wild beasts, elephants, mastadons, and the like, against which the London people had to wage continual war. We know, because their bones have been dug up.

Years ago, when I lived at Ealing, it was decided that it was time for the Town to have its own supply of water. So there came to Ealing an army of stalwart men. armed with spades and pick-axes and like implements, who fell furiously on the land and dug great holes and pits. As they dug deeper they dug up the history of England. and they dug up all manner of things that had lain hidden while the ages passed. They dug up great bones of elephants and mastadons and other huge creatures, and at the same time all manner of rude, primitive weapons, the pitiful armoury which men had to use in their conflict with the brute creation. An Ealing man—Allen Brown—wrote a book about it called, "Elephant Hunting in Ealing." It was a bit of the history of England during the glacial period.

The forest and swamp lands entirely surrounded London. Epping Forest and Burnham Beeches (both now belong to the City of London Corporation) were as one. Watford is close to the Beeches, and the character of the Watford district was the same, for it was, and is, a country of trees and waterways. It has, though, a difference: the trees at Burnham are mostly huge beeches. There are beech trees at Epping, but nearly all the trees there are hornbeams and are quite small. Watford does not specialise, having a much wider variety of trees than is to be found elsewhere. And amongst the Watford trees and undergrowth are many apple and oak trees, whence Watford people gather their mistletoe; mistletoe being a parasitic plant mostly found growing on apple and oak.

We have seen that the place named London is quite obvious. The place name, Watford, is a bit of a query. No one really

knows for sure how it came to be. There must be a reason. Do you care to guess what it is? I have already given you the clues to the puzzle. All this about marsh, swamp, and river. Ford, of course. Ford, a place where a river or other water may be crossed. There is such a river at the bottom of the High Street, and adjoining is the high, open hillside of Oxhey, which was a favourite place for hares. You now have the second clue. The clues come from a queer verse written about 1640 :-Wat, thou he fled from life joyd with all So brave a dirge sang forth his funeral, No syrens sweeter trill: Hares as the flee Look back, as glad to listen, loth to die. In the old days a hare was called a Wat. So we arrive safely at Watford.

In Watford there is a house with a number 25. A number doesn't tell anything about a house. It's my house, and it has a name, Holly Fence; the front garden fence is a very thick holly bush with a tall holly tree in the centre. Well in keeping with Christmas. There is no holly in the back garden, but there is a rather ancient apple tree which sports a growth of mistletoe. So, did we care to make it so, our Christmas indoor decorations might be entirely home grown. But, not wanting to cut the place about, we get the decorations in the town, for holly and mistletoe abound in the district. Quite a proper sort of thing at Christmas.

Ah, Christmas! Like the word London, its origin is plain to all. It is a nice sounding name; there is melody in it. And, of course, it means the Feast of Christ, celebrated in honour of His Nativity. It is a great time for rejoicing—a time for a feast—a time when even the most shy and surly make an effort to be at peace with and have goodwill towards all. Would that all days of the year had a like urge towards the things that really make life worth the living. Then indeed we should have found that imaginary island described by Sir Thomas Moore—Utopia, a social state of ideal perfection.

But, perfection! It can't be done, not in this "wale o' tears." However, there are a tremendous lot of people who try; at least they try. "It's not in mortals to command success." But is there a way leading

to the promised land? Surely yes. We have cognizance of the way and sometime we are right on the road, but then we miss the track and get lost. The knowledge of the way came to the shores of England when the light of Christianity dawned, and the words rang out over the wild places. "I came that they might have LIFE and that they might have it more abundantly." A full life made up of work and play, rest and worship, feast, festival, and fast. Queer that so many cannot get going at all, or trip up, get lost, or having set forth—go back.

The way has a name, and the name is Christmas, and the guiding light the Star of Bethlehem. What is it that makes it difficult to follow? Well, one of the words on the signpost is Worship. Strange that this should make the difficulty, because no mortal was ever born into this world without an instinct. No person, may be no animal, certainly no dog. See, here is my dog, my wonderful little black and white spaniel. That dog has the instinct, it is the instinct to worship. There was this vast world, with its great continents widely separated by the seas, absolutely entirely apart, isolated, cut off. But all the peoples of every clime and colour had just one thing in common—the instinct of worship. As the hymn has it:-"The heathen in his blindness bows down to wood and stone." And yet there are chaps going around who will say "Worship, not me, gov," and yet they are really the very blokes who are in it up to the neck. They worship, no doubt about that. There has been a terrible murder close near here, at Northwood. A man was charged and found guilty. His defence was that he went to the house to see the woman and found her down, lying battered and bloodstained. He saw her, took panic and fled. He knew she was alive, for she cried out to him, "Oh! John, John." In answer to a question why he did not go for help he replied, "With me it's self first, self last and self always." He fled, so he said, to save himself. It is himself he loves and worships. Poor fellow; the pity of it. A warped mind. Well, perhaps he will save himself because of his extreme youth; he may get let off. Others worship success and, well, any old thing; but always they worship.

The latest form of worship has cropped up. Godlessness is proclaimed. Nature abhors a vacuum. Something is bound to take the place of the old worship, and so they set up a new god—the god of the State. All this cuts deep into Christmas, for the full Christmas story is only complete with the arrival of the Magi—called wise men. They came to bring their gifts and their worship. Here in England Christmas suffered a severe shock during the time of the Puritans. They had the religious side all right, but they forgot the other part—the Mas part, the festival, the feast, the sheer joy; the merrie England part.

People say, "Well if that's religion, I've no sort of use for it." And so the Christ part suffers a set back and the Mas-the festival and jollity part-brought back. Now this is frightfully important because for one thing the civilised world must take notice of the advent of the new god—the god of the State. The tremendous difference is that Christianity and Christmas show that every person is of vast importance. Christmas puts a high value on everyone. The ideal of the State as a god simply means that the life of any one person doesn't matter. So to-day, in some countries, human life counts as nothing. No-one matters; only the State matters. How can that be? The truth is in a fable. The health of the body depends on the health of its members. So, as I see it, if we are to keep our dear homeland free and happy, if we are to repel the invasion, we can best do it by restoring the proper balance of Christmas, and what Christmas stands for.

In a world full as it now is of disaster, we must try to win back to peace and goodwill, and I can see no way to that except through the way of Christmas. Christmas comes to us again with its message of hope. The star still shines clear in the sky and lights the road. It is there to give us hope—a little hope that if we can tread our way in the Christmas spirit of peace and goodwill we shall, in the end, come safely home, for "So He bringeth them to their desired haven, the place where they would be." I will end then on the note of hope. There are lines out of Du Maurier's novel, "Trilby":—

A little hope—that when we die We reap—our sowing And so—Goodbye Goodbye.

R.E.H.

Our French Feature.

CÉLÈBRE

Noël d'Adam

Paroles de CANTIQLE

Musique de
CAPPEAU de ROQUEMAURE ADOLPHE ADAM

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Pour Voix de Ténor ou Soprano



De notre foi que la lumière ardente Nous guide tous au berceau de l'enfant Comme autrefois, une étoile brillante Y conduisit les chefs de l'Orient: Le Roi des Rois naît dans une humble crêche, Puissants du jour, fiers de votre grandeur, A votre orgueil c'est de là qu'un Dieu prêche Courbez vos fronts devant le Rédempteur! Courbez vos fronts devant le Rédempteur!

Le Rédempteur a brisé toute entrave :
La terre est libre et le ciel est ouvert,
Il voit un frère où n'était qu'un esclave ;
L'amour unit ceux qu'enchaînait le fer :
Qui lui dira notre reconnaissance ?
Ĉ'est pour nous tous qu'il naît qu'il souffre
et meurt :

Peuple, debout! chante ta délivrance; Noël! Noël! chantons le Rédempteur! Noël! Noël! chantons le Rédempteur!

Ce cantique est chanté en France le 24 Décembre à minuit, non seulement dans les Eglises, mais dans les salles de spectacles, hôtels et cafés, par des chanteurs professionnels, rappelant aux foules qui s'y trouvent réunies la naissance du Sauveur.

Nous remercions Mr. Marcel Labbé, Editeur, 20, rue du Croissant, Paris, d'avoirbien voulu nous autoriser à recopier la musique de la première strophe.

Calne Herita

DUNMOW.

"We were reading "The Nigerian Observer" the other day and came across the following piece of wisdom.

"TOO MUCH ENJOYMENT"

"It is observed that certain people in this township take great delight in excessive drumming and dancing every day. This is bad, because over-enjoyment is another sure cause of ill-health. Nothing could be further from the truth than the supposition by many that continued enjoyment is good for them. Enjoyment must be taken wisely and workmen must remember that they are to be present at work the next morning."

The quotation is an exact one from the said paper. This is not put in for the benefit of the Dunmow people only, but for all and

sundry.

CRICKET SECTION.

GRAND CARNIVAL WHIST DRIVE

AT THE WOODLANDS

On WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15th, AT 7.15 P.M.

How would you like a Turkey or a couple of Chickens for your Christmas fare; or perhaps you would prefer a Gammon, a joint of English Beef or a Leg of Mutton?

These are some of the prizes which are being offered, besides several others consisting of Bottles of Port and Sherry, Cigarettes, etc.

There are Carnival Prizes too!

Come and spend a jolly evening and bring your friend. You may be Prize Winners!

Tickets are 1/6 each, and you are urged to obtain them early to avoid disappointment. Last year over 40 applications for tickets had to be refused.

A Wayfarer's Note-book.

'MID SNOW AND SUNSHINE AT KANDERSTEG, SWITZERLAND.

Only those who have been to Switzerland in winter can have any idea of the exhilarating effect that the dust-free atmosphere of dry and rarefied air has upon them. It is better than a tonic; lethargy is cast off as easily as if it were a cloak, and as you breathe in deeply, nay ravenously, you are filled with an effervescence quite unlike anything you have experienced before.

After little more than a twenty-hour's journey from London, we reached Kandersteg one morning, and although there was already a depth of fifteen inches or more, snow continued to fall heavily. A horse-sleigh awaited our arrival, and we were driven off to the hotel that was to be our home for the ensuing fortnight. It was a fine wooden structure, rather like an enormous chalet, and was situated a mile or so from the village, in a corner of the valley which proved, when the snowing had ceased, to be one of the sunniest spots imaginable.

Kandersteg was situated at an altitude of some 3,800 feet, so that snow and ice conditions were fairly certain to provide good sport. All around the valley were tall summits, the lower slopes covered with pine forests, while dominating the whole scene was the majestic Blümlisalp (12,044ft.)

Ski-running was a fascinating sport, and the many tumbles a novice received made it great fun, particularly for the onlooker. It seemed to come as second nature



THE BLUMLISALP

to the Swiss children, however, who apparently took to the sport from infancy.

There were many expeditions to be made with the aid of ski. One of the finest was to Oeschinensee, a frozen lake at the foot of the Blümlisalp. Then there was another to Ueschinental, a valley high above Kandersteg, where there were the remains of several avalanches, and one or two chalets dotted here and there. Tea was made at one of them, but as there was no water about the kettle had to be filled with snow and the drink did not taste any the worse.

A few miles from Kandersteg, set among pinewoods, there was a small lake that was amazingly blue, as its name, Blausee, implied.

After a fresh fall of snow Tailing was one of the most popular sports. Tails were formed by tying several luges (toboggans) together in a long string, someone sitting on each, while the train thus formed was towed by a horse-sleigh. The luges at the end of the tail made snake-like movements, which became more erratic as the speed

increased, so that eventually one or another overbalanced and fell wallowing in the snow, much to the merriment of those who had managed to retain their places.

Kandersteg has long been famous for its ice rinks, and many Scotsmen are regular visitors to take part in the Curling. Some bring their stones with them, and if you have handled a Curling-stone you will know that it is a tidy weight. One of the most amusing phases of this sport was the way participants brushed the ice frantically in the path of their stones so as to make as smooth a way as possible and enable them to slide further as a consequence.

When the day's sport was over there were dances at the hotel, and sometimes visits were interchanged with other hotels in the village. All muffled up in the cold night air, and being driven through the valley by horse-sleigh with bells a jingling, while the mountains around stood out clearly against a starry sky, was an experience that will ever remain a cherished memory.

WAYFARER.



A CURLING RINK.

NUT AND FRUIT CRESCENTS

Chop very finely 4oz. dates, 4 oz. crystallised cherries, and 4oz. figs. Mix with 8oz. walnuts or other nuts chopped very small. Work together—it is best to use your hands for this—until all is well amalgamated, then sprinkle a board with icing sugar and roll out the sweetmeat into a thin sheet. Cut in crescents, diamonds, or any other shapes and roll again in sugar.

COAL-BLACK BRADENHAM HAMS

They are sweet, mild, and have a delicacy of flavour which is renowned whereever hams are known. They are cured black in molasses and quaint spices, and each ham in the process has its separate porcelain jar. They are indeed unique hams for a special occasion.

Skittle Section.

VISIT TO WILMOT'S, BRISTOL.

Once again we failed to regain the cup, given by Mr. Bodinnar, for the annual skittle match with Wilmot's, of Bristol, the match this time being played at Bristol.

I should think this was about the best match played so far. With two men to play we were one pin up on Wilmot's, and we were really thinking of bringing the cup back to Calne, but there was no doubt that Wilmot's had kept their best two men until last. These two men were really clever players for a tricky alley like theirs, and their extra skill, without a doubt, won them the game. For all that, our team, of whom only a few had played on the alley before, can be commended on putting up such a good fight, especially seeing they were unaccustomed to the wooden balls and the slightly oval alley.

I have gone a little ahead with my story, but as the skittle match was the chief item of our outing, I daresay it is quite in

order

We had left Calne at about 12.45 p.m. on Saturday, November 13th. Most of uswere going to the football match between the City and Queen's Park Rangers. Those who did not were dropped in the town and finally re-joined us at Wilmot's. Those of us who saw the football match were lucky, as both teams were near the top of the League table, and we were assured of a good game. Well, we saw a good game, but I should hardly have thought that our being there would have made it a record gate for the season!

Anyway, football over, we made our way to Wilmot's, and having acquired a good appetite at football, we soon put paid to the tea our hosts had so kindly provided for us. By "put paid," don't imagine we rushed the tables—it means that we had a jolly good tea, that's all!

Mr. Ashley, secretary of Wilmot's, gave us a hearty welcome in his usual unexpected style. That sounds a bit Irish, I know, but it's the only way I could think of expressing it. He also expressed Mr. Bodinnar's kind wishes for a happy and jolly evening in a letter received from him.

Mr. R. H. Stanley, replying, thanked him for their kind welcome, also for the excellent tea provided, and ended up, amid laughter, by saying that if their skittle team was no better than their football team Calne would win the cup.

Well, we made our way to the skittle alley, and although our team had a practice throw on the alley, as you already know, it made no difference.

The match over, preparations were soon in progress for the social evening to follow. Wilmot's provided us with some good entertainment, and we we were also indebted to Mr. H. Hill for singing and R. Bullock for whistling. There were some lively singsongs and, as usual, nobody wanted to finish a good thing. Of course, we had to finish, and Mr. A. Boase, our chairman, covered all our wishes and thoughts in his speech thanking our hosts for a very excellent evening, and also presenting the cup to the captain of the Wilmot's team. He also mentioned that if we could not beat them at skittles we would beat them in the anticipated football match at Calne next season.

So, leaving Bristol at about 10.45 p.m., we arrived back at Calne not long after twelve o'clock midnight.

Our thanks are due to our secretary, Mr. R. H. Stanley, for an excellently and well-organised outing, and also for his initiative in obtaining 2s. 6d. grandstand seats for 2s. at the football match.

You will gather from the following scores how difficult it proved to score on this alley when you just consider that each man played six legs, that is 18 balls. The average per man was:—Wilmot's, 30.75, or 5.12 for three balls; and Calne, 29.58, or 4.93 for three balls.

| CALNE. | WILMOT'S. |
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| J. Angell 32 | H. Taylor 28 |
| P. Lewis 22 | H. Gage 29 |
| A. Haddrell 30 | D. Greenland 34 |
| R. Stanley 31 | W. Cullen 34 |
| F. Nash 24 | F. Dewfall 27 |
| W. Burchell 31 | R. Young 27 |
| J. Burchell 30 | E. Baker 29 |
| A. Boase 30 | J. Hathway 25 |
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Some Christmas Facts and Fancies.

Christmas Pie is the name of a hamlet in Surrey, one of the smallest places in the country. There is no shop, no post-office, no public-house. It stands a mile or so off the Hog's Back, on the boundary of the parishes of Wanborough and Normandy.

The name of this little-known corner of Surrey dates back to about 1700 tradition has it. The then lord of the manor bricked a muddy spring which gushed out of the ground at the corner of two old lanes, and which supplied the only water adjoining houses could get. To make it easier for the villagers to get their water he had a kind of standpipe erected in the shape of a large stone Christmas pie, from which the water ran out all the year round at a convenient level for filling buckets.

The Christmas Pie gave its name, first to the corner, later to one of the lanes, and then to a large farmhouse which was erected near the spot. Eventually the surrounding neighbourhood became known by it.

A few years ago the pie was removed, but the place retains its name. Even the Postoffice recognise Christmas Pie as a place of its own, and an old red letter-box in the wall of a barn announces: "Christmas Pie. Next collection..."

A number of "Safety First" precautions, put forward as a warning against risks during Christmas festivities in the home and outside it, have been issued by the National Safety First Association in conjunction with the National Fire Brigade Association.

Among the points they particularise are the following:—

All dry shrubs are easily ignited, especially fir trees used at Christmas, as they contain resin.

In numerous country inns in Somerset a quaint old Christmas Eve custom will be observed when the burning of the ashen faggot will take place in the chimney corners.

It is believed to have originated in the days of King Alfred, one legend accounting for the custom stating that on the night before the Battle of Ethandune, when the Danes were routed, the West Saxons warmed themselves before fires of ash branches—the only wood that will burn when green—and to commemorate the victory the warriors burned a fire of ash wood every Christmas Eve.

In the gathering and binding of the ashen branches a strict formula is observed.

They must be of ash, and have to be bound by nine supple green bands. The oldest person present then places the faggot on the fire, around which the company gather.

A wonderful glow is soon obtained, and as a band breaks the company take up their mugs of cider and drink. Each time a band breaks the mugs are replenished!

"Christmas a humbug, uncle!" said Scrooge's nephew, "You don't mean that, I'm sure?"

"I do," said Scrooge. "Merry Christmas! What right have you to be merry? What reason have you to be merry? You're poor enough."

"Come then," returned the nephew gaily. "What right have you to be dismal? What reason have you to be morose? You're rich enough."

A Christmas Carol."—CHARLES DICKENS.

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British Legion Battlefields Pilgrimage, 1937.

(Continued)

Leaving our hotel by motor-coach, we arrived at Ostend for tea. Here we caught the 5.30 express for Cologne. Dinner was served on the train before we got to the German frontier. Arriving at Cologne at about ten o'clock, we were met by members of the Cologne branch of the British Legion, who accompanied us to our hotel.

On Wednesday morning the party was free to go where they wished, so we first of all paid a visit to Cologne Cathedral, a visit which should never be missed by anyone visiting Cologne. A walk along the banks of the Rhine, and it was time for lunch. After lunch we had a motor-coach tour of the city, arriving at the Cologne Cemetery about 3.30. Here we were met by a party of German ex-Service men. Side by side we walked along the well-kept paths with our ex-enemies, our blue-gold banner of the Legion at the head. Behind the men came the women of the Legion. Some of them had sacrificed their husbands and sons in the course of the four years of horror that broke out 23 years back. For this was the 4th of August—that blood red-letter day in the history of the world. As we marched through this beautiful park-land cemetery, men, women, and even the children of Cologne raised their hands in honour of our flag. Then we came to an avenue of little white stones which led to the monument that perpetuates the names of those who are buried beneath. This is the German portion of the cemetery, and about the monument hangs scarlet banners with swastika device, borne by men who served their Fatherland.

Mr. Percy Barton, from Cornwall, the leader of the British party, pronounced the Legion's exhortation to remember the vow, "We will remember them," over British and German graves alike, and Herr Richter, district leader of the German ex-Service men, pleaded that these mutual experiences may be the means of fostering a better understanding between the peoples and peace in the world.

After a wreath had been laid on the German monument, we marched to the British part of the cemetery. Here a similar service took place, and a wreath was laid by the Germans on the British monument, and the German band softly played the hymn, "I had a comrade"

Then there was silence and memories.

. . . British and Germans file away



BRITISH CEMETERY, COLOGNE.

together, talking of the significance of this token of memory that had been so much more than a ceremony. At this point we were conducted to the grave of my brother, who died a prisoner of war in Germany. This was the third brother to make the Supreme Sacrifice, making a gap in the family circle which has never been closed. As we left the grave the band formed up at the gates and played their National Anthem, and as a final tribute to the British, "God save the King."

At night the Germans were invited to dinner with us in a large dining-room at our hotel, where the tables were decorated with miniature Union Jacks and swastikas.

There were a few short but impressive speeches. The British rose and drank with the German guests to the Leader, whose portrait hung on the wall; and the Germans drank with the British to our King.

There was much applause when Dr. Peters, the leader of the German warwounded, declared that never again must war part the peoples of England and Germany. The Legion took the view that it was not the party's concern how the Germans ran their country. All we were concerned with was the desire to make a practical gesture of friendship towards those who had shared the same experiences of the terror and futility of war.

Thursday we had a motor-coach tour of the Moselle and Ahr Valleys, visiting Bonn, Koblenz, and Kochem, where we stopped for lunch. After lunch we went over the Eifel Mountains, where we obtained wonderful views of the vineyards for which Moselle is noted, passing on to Monreal, Mazen, the Crater Lake, to Bad Meuenahr, where we stopped for tea. Then along the Ahr Valley to Allenahr, Mackenhein, to Cologne.

Friday morning was left free at the disposal of the party. After lunch we left by motor-coach for the Berzasche Land, through Warmelsherchen, to the Castle of Burz. After visiting the Castle we had tea at the restaurant "Zurschonen Aussicht" (the beautiful view), returning home via Burschied and Remschied.

In the evening a social was arranged to which the German ex-Service men were invited, as also were the British ex-Service men living in Cologne. Needless to say this social evening lasted until the early hours of the next morning.

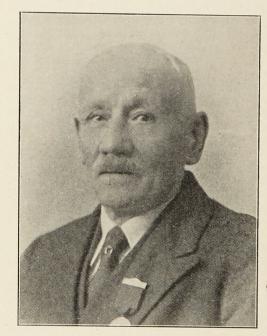
Saturday morning we left Cologne for Brussels, arriving about mid-day. After lunch we had a motor-coach tour of the city, during which a wreath was laid on the Anglo-Belgian Memorial, and also on the grave of the Belgian Unknown Warrior, the evening being left for the party to do as they pleased.

Sunday morning we left Brussels for England, via Ostend and Dover, having had an enjoyable and impressive tour. If any reader would like further information regarding this Pilgrimage I shall be pleased to give all I can, and also lend them the views and snaps which I brought home.

Chas. E. Blackford.

Our Portrait Gallery.

MR. C. E WHYATT



The above photograph is of Mr. Charles E. Whyatt, Dunmow, who is the worthy and proud possessor of a medal for long service.

For many years he has been one of our trusted workmen in the factory, and for more than half his time with us has been, amongst other things, in charge of curing in the cellar.

We have always looked upon Mr.Whyatt as one of the most conscientious, respected, and respectful workers one could meet. We gladly pay this tribute to him.

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Once again we have the pleasant task of sending the very best of good wishes for Christmas and the New Year to all our Representatives, Van Salesmen, and Demonstrators in England, Scotland, Wales, and Ireland, and also to our Agents and Representatives all over the world.

We are writing these few notes at a date somewhat distant from the Christmas festivities, and there is still a very great deal to be done and some very hard work to be put in before we can enjoy the respite which

this happy time gives.

About the year 1937, now rapidly drawing to a close, we cannot say much more than that it has shown a turn for the better as far as general prosperity is concerned. This is gradually being reflected in increased business in some districts, but this return of prosperity has been rather slow to come in others. As far as our own industry is concerned, with the collapse of the Pigs Scheme at the beginning of the year, we have been in a state of considerable uncertainty, which is not by any means cleared as yet. This, coupled with the heavy advance in the cost of feeding stuffs, has made bacon curing an anxious business. This is why we are all out to extend our small goods business to the very best of our ability, and why we are making detailed plans for a very big push during the 1938 season.

We feel that we can look forward to 1938 full of optimism and enthusiasm. There does not appear to be any sign of any slackening in the upward trend of prosperity and, dealing as we are in high-class provisions, we ought to receive a corresponding increase in demand.

The first reaction to the more money in circulation appears to have been a desire to enter into hire-purchase arrangements for houses, motor-cars, furniture, wireless sets, and to have a plunge on the entertainment side—cinema, speedway racing, &c. It may be that this is the natural reaction after the lean years of the depression and that 1938 will show the increased spending power

reacting to the benefit of the provision trade to a far greater extent than has been the case to date. At any rate, we shall have our programme fully prepared for next year's big forward move, and we cannot but achieve record success if everybody pulls together with the real Harris enthusiasm which has been in evidence in the past.

Once again a very Happy Christmas to all our friends on the road, and the very best of good wishes for a happy time with their families.

Relief Salesman G. E. Farrant has taken over Van 36, Ryde.

We congratulate Van Salesman D. Dolman, of Weston-super-Mare, on his marriage to Miss B. R. Taylor, on Saturday, October 23rd, and wish them long life and happiness.

Mr. J. Tingle is still away from business, and is now waiting to undergo the operation which it was hoped it would be possible to avoid. Mr. Tingle has our very best wishes for a speedy recovery and return to his usual health and strength.

Our sympathy is also with Mr. R. E. Harris, who has been far from well for some weeks past. We hope that by the time Christmas comes Mr. Harris will be feeling much more like his usual self.

Our sympathy, too, with Mr. Dobson Dodds on the serious accident to his child.

We are sorry to say that Mr. A. E. Lane is at present laid up with sciatica and is unable to walk. We hope that he will very quickly get over this complaint.

I.H.G.

Christmas throughout the world is a season of peace and goodwill, kindness and remembrance. We want to get happiness, but we must give happiness first. A little gift goes a long way to secure this end.



CRICKET SECTION.

The annual general meeting of the Cricket Club was held at the Woodlands on Monday, October 25th, and presided over

by Mr. Osman Jones.

The secretaries' report covered much of the ground mentioned in last month's account of the season's performance. It was a record 1st XI. season, and one which the club had every reason to be proud of. The President's trophies for batting and bowling were won by Mr. R. Stevens and Mr. I. J. Taylor respectively. The President's bat for the best average batting performance in the 2nd XI. was won by Mr. G. Witchell, and Mr. R. P. Redman's bat for the best average bowling performance was won by Mr. G. Dean.

The treasurer's report showed a balance in hand of f2 17s., which was helped considerably by the splendid Christmas Whist Drive the committee organised last December. Thanks were expressed to the many helpers and officials who during the season had rendered service to the Club, such as umpires, lady tea helpers, and special mention was made of the provision of the chestnut fencing, on one side of the ground, provided by the directors.

On the adoption of the report and statement of accounts tributes were paid by the meeting to the work of the hon, secretaries and hon, treasurer for the services they had rendered the club during the season, services which every player appreciated. The election of officers resulted in the following appointments:—Chairman, Mr. Osman Iones; hon. secretaries, Messrs. B. Gough and I. J. Taylor; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. McLean; captain 1st XI., Mr. K. Haines; vice-captain, Mr. I. J. Taylor; captain 2nd XI., Mr. G. Witchell; vice-captain, Mr. W. Smith: committee—Messrs. R. Bewley, I. Bromham, P. Cainey, S. Drewell, F. I. Nash, R. Stevens, R. B. Swaffield, R. Swaffield, and E. Wiltshire.

It will be observed that an important

change has been made in the captaincy of the 1st XI. Mr. J. Bromham, who has been captain for the past three years, felt it was now his duty to give up the task of captain of the 1st XI. in order that the position should be occupied by one who had more time at his disposal than he had. This was received with much regret, and Mr. Kenneth Haines was elected to succeed him. We cannot allow Jack to retire without an expression of gratitude for all his work in the past. He has led the team in a capable and genial manner—serene when victorious and inspiriting in defeat.

HOCKEY.

Another success was recorded when the Ladies' Hockey Club held what has become an annual whist drive and dance at the Woodlands on Friday, October 22nd. The drive was particularly sociable and the company composed of whist drive devotees with a large sprinkling of supporters of the club. We were favoured with the presence of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bodinnar, and Mrs. Bodinnar kindly presented the prizes to the fortunate winners. The catering arrangements were undertaken by the club and were most efficient. The dance in the skittle alley attracted over 100 dancers, and music was provided by the new Rhythm Aces Band. This was their first appearance as a dance band, and most creditably did they render their items. Mr. R. B. Swaffield acted as M.C. both for whist drive and dance, and voiced the thanks of the club to the company for support and to Mr. and Mrs. Bodinnar for their attendance. The hon. secretary (Miss Margaret Angell) and the Committee are to be congratulated in that their efforts resulted in a financial contribution to the club of over 45.

Hockey during the month has not been successful as far as results go, but the games have been excellent. On September 29th we visited Trowbridge to engage the mixed

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team of the County Officials, and lost a good game by 4 goals to 3. The result was entirely against the run of play, even though they played two more men than we did. We were pressing most of the time, but the brilliance of the opposing backs saved their side, and their strong hitting gave their forwards the necessary opportunities for break-aways which resulted in winning by the odd goal. A. Dixon scored twice and K. Haines obtained the third.

October 2nd, v. Wills', of Swindon.

October 2nd, v. Wills', of Swindon. Strong opposition is always served up by this team, and our defeat by 5 goals to nil was not unexpected.

Another defeat was experienced on October 9th, when we entertained Holt mixed team at Lickhill. We lost by 4 goals to nil, but our opponents out-placed us by playing seven men to our five. This was a serious handicap, and against it and their robust play we could hardly expect success. One feature of these mixed matches is the way our girls stand up to the men. They don't flinch, and it is not an unusual sight to see a man biting the ground after a tussle with one of our girls.

The game on October 23rd was scratched owing to the bad weather.

On October 30th we entertained Trowbridge on our ground, and again we had to admit defeat. Against a faster team, who exhibited wonderfully accurate interception and passing, we went down to the tune of 5 goals to 2. The game was a fine, open one, but the science of the game was exploited by our opponents in a manner much to be admired and desired by us. Their marking was perfect, and though we tried hard, it was fatal to make a mistake, for once made Trowbridge took full advantage of it and generally scored. However, it was a fine day, a splendid game, and plenty of exercise so what matter the result. Our goals were scored by Kathleen Angell and Molly Angell.

CARNIVAL AND FLOWER SHOW SECTION.

The annual general meeting of this Section was held at the Woodlands on

Thursday, October 21st, Mr. T. W. Petherick presiding.

The annual report was presented by Mr. R. B. Swaffield and the financial statement by Mr. F. I. Nash. Both were disappointing, mainly attributable to the epidemic of illness which was prevalent on the occasion of the Carnival in January last and the bad weather at the Flower Show in August.

The Chairman thanked the secretaries, treasurer, and members of the Committee for their support during the past year, and spoke of his pleasure to be associated with them.

The following officers and committee were elected for the ensuing year:—Chairman, Mr. T. W. Petherick; vice-chairman, Mr. F. Gale; hon. secretaries, Messrs. G. R. Ashman, A. McLean, and R. B. Swaffield; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. I. Nash; committee—Mrs. Sewell, Miss G. Keepence, Messrs. F. Blackford, J. F. G. Edwarde, G. Gough, E. H. Kettle, A. J. Mail, W. Prior, S. J. Rymer, and S. Toogood; auditors, Messrs. G. Gough and I. J. Taylor.

It was announced that the date of the next Carnival would be Saturday, January 8th, 1938.

CLUB NOTES.

On Thursday, October 28th, we paid a return visit to Avon Sports (Melksham), to play them at billiards and table tennis. It was apparent, judging from remarks made by the Avon lads, that they were preparing for us to have a good time, both as regards the games and their hospitality.

The Club House, at Melksham, is conveniently situated, and in a secluded spot. It contains a billiard room, with two full-size tables; and two rooms for table tennis. There is a hall on the ground floor, with the radio attached, which is used for dancing and plays, &c. There is a bar, a reading-room, and various other rooms.



One thing that struck me was the spirit that prevailed. Everyone seemed at home and wanted to be doing something. They have billiard teams playing in two or three Leagues, and some good table tennis players who enter Leagues, often having as opponents players who represent the county. How is it we can't rise to the occasion? We have enough players to be able to do likewise; we are well equipped; so now, come on, let us get at it.

We had a rare tussle with the billiards, losing three games, winning one. We lost on the total games—552 to 535; total loss, 17 points. The result was very satisfactory, taking all things into account, as they play with different balls, and the tables are not so fast as our own.

The table tennis ended as expected. We lost by seven games to four.

Although beaten, we were not disgraced, and we came away with the spirit of "We live to fight another day."

Time was called, and after the usual shake of hands and good-nights, the cry was raised, "Are we all here?" We all got seated, and left with the welcome, "Come in and see us again, sometime." Thus ended a very pleasant evening.

N.B.—To Calne Sports. The Committee are anxious to arrange more of these interchanges if you are willing to co-operate and practice. Why not? You'll enjoy them!

Whist drives were held on the 29th October and the 12th November respectively. At the former there were 18½ tables, and the prize-winners were as follows:—Ladies:—1, Mrs. C. Gregory, 175; 2, Miss A. Haines, 173; 3, Mrs. F. Corrick, 172. Gentlemen—1, Mr. P. Davis, 176; 2, Mrs. E. Slade (as gentleman), 172; 3, Mr. G. Bull, 169.

At the latter drive there were $14\frac{1}{2}$ tables, and the prize-winners were as follows:—Ladies—1, Mrs. P. Carter, 170; 2, Mrs. A. Freeth, 170; 3, Mrs. F. Corrick, 168. Gentlemen—1, Mr. A. W. Haddrell, 173; 2, Mrs. G. Smith (as gentleman), 172; 3, Mr. E. Granger (after cut with Mr. P. Davis, who had equal score), 167.

The snowball prize has not yet been won, and will be increased to the value of 15s. for the next drive, to be held on Friday, November 26th.

Mr. P. Carter was again in charge of

these drives, and his capable management makes them popular and enjoyable.

The Billiards League and Knock-out Billiards and Snooker Competitions are now in full swing, and all games are being keenly contested. It is hoped every interested player will continue to be enthusiastic, as successful and keenly contested competitions are the one aim of the Games Committee, and it is immense encouragement to that Committee when members "play the game" as sportsmen.

No suggestions have been forthcoming in response to the invitation contained in last month's Magazine for ideas to strengthen the winter programme. It seems a pity that the Club is not made far more use of for social functions and sectional activities.

We entered on October 1st another financial year. It is with extreme regret that we have to record a decrease of 175 in membership for 1937, as compared with the previous year. Forgive me if I am "blunt," but I feel bound to express my own ideas of the position and, as they may not coincide with others, I beg any employees to express their views either by sending them to me direct or through the Magazine so that others may consider what, if anything, is wrong: and if it is wrong, how can we put it right. My own views are that every employee should, for the very nominal subscription of 1s. per annum (whether he or she uses the Club or not), join the H.W.A. My reasons for holding this view are, in a few brief remarks, as follows:-

1.—The Directors have shown considerable interest in the welfare of employees, and have provided the beautifully-equipped house, The Woodlands, as a Club House, at considerable expense.

2.—All employees may not require a Club House, but those who do not might think of their fellow employees who do. Some are not so fortunate as others; and with such a moderate subscription, every employee who joins supports and shows an interest in employers who study their employees, and helps to provide comfort and amusement to a fellow employee who finds the Club a boon.

3.—Every employee, except the very, very few who take no interest in anything whatever, benefit directly or indirectly from the Club House. Accommodation is provi-

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ded for every employee who so desires, for recreation, games, meetings, social evenings, meals, rehearsals, concerts, reading, and what not.

4.—To those employees who live out of the town and use the Club for meals (if they do not do so they have no-one but themselves to blame), then surely for this benefit alone they should become members. It should be remembered there is no obligation on the Directors to find accommodation for meals it is a privilege which should be appreciated, and a slight appreciation would be shown by enrolment as a member of the H.W.A.

5.—It has been said publicly on innumerable occasions that working conditions are considerably better than they were only a few years ago. In what better way, therefore, can employees return thanks for this different state of affairs and for the better feeling which exists, than by showing an interest in and supporting to some small degree those efforts which have been made by the management for the betterment and

well being of all concerned.

With these remarks I will ask everyone who has not yet joined the H.W.A., or who has, through some petty difference or biased point of view, failed to renew in 1937, to re-consider the question of membership, not from just a selfish standpoint, but generally. I feel that if the principles of welfare are applied, then all will agree the H.W.A., as should every similar association, should be 100 per cent. strong.

F.H.A.

The penny post came just in time to help the Christmas card trade, but not till the eighties did it really begin to boom. Then a firm of stationers offered 500 guineas for the best design, and Sir John Millais, President of the Royal Academy, was the principal judge. A few years later the Poet Laureate, Tennyson, did not feel insulted by a request to write eight verses of four lines each for a Christmas card. He was too unwell to accept the commission-even though the fee was to have been a thousand guineas—but he wrote:-

"You cannot imagine with what regret I have forfeited this opportunity of worldwide fame; for, beyond a doubt, these verses would have found their way into many far corners of the earth where I cannot flatter myself even my name is known."



The marriage of Miss Brenda Taylor to Mr. Douglas Dolman took place at St. Mary's Church, Calne, on Saturday, October 23rd, The bride was given away by her brother. Mr. I. J. Taylor, and wore a navy blue Moire dress, with velvet hat and veil, and carried an ivory Prayer Book. The bride and bridegroom left immediately after for Westonsuper-Mare, where they will reside.

Miss Taylor was presented with an oak bureau by her colleagues at the Office.



ECONOMICAL CHRISTMAS PUDDING (Without eggs and sugar).

Four oz. each of suet, breadcrumbs, and self-raising flour, two oz. each of candied peel, currants, and raisins, half a teaspoonful of ground ginger, a quarter of a teaspoonful of nutmeg, half a pound of golden syrup, a pinch of salt. Prepare fruit, chop the suet, and peel finely; mix all dry portions, add treacle and water if necessary. Set in a wellgreased basin. Boil for eight hours. * * *

Christmas is celebrated in the Swiss churches in at least twenty languages.

English Christmas fare is the rule in most homes. Plum-puddings and mincepies have been sent direct from England. The roast beef and turkeys are "made in Switzerland." Elaborate cakes, pastries, and biscuits are the traditional Swiss Christmas fare.

Honey cakes, a kind of rich gingerbread cut in fantastic shapes and decorated with sugar, and biscuits covered thickly with marzipan are specially baked for Christmas

Swiss children do not hang up stockings. Their presents are laid out under the branches of the Christmas tree.

Friends Elsewhere.

STAFF WELFARE ASSOCIATION. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The third annual general meeting of our Welfare Association was held at the close of business on Friday, 22nd October,

It was a great dissppointment to all that our Life President was unable to preside at this meeting, owing to the pressure of business. The chair was, therefore, taken by our Manager, Mr. W. V. Long. supported by Mr. J. G. Hooper. We were also sorry that Captain C. Herbert Smith was not present with us on this occasion.

The report and accounts, presented by the Secretaries, show that the Association is still making progress both financially and socially. The statement gives a credit balance of £27 11s. 8d., which is an increase of \$\ifsigma 5\$ 3s. 7d. on the previous year, although this would not have been possible without the donation of £2 from our Chief and £2 which he authorised from the Company. For these the members are indeed grateful and make this an opportunity of expressing their thanks and appreciation to Mr. Bodinnar for his continued help and support to our efforts.

Regarding the social activities of the Association, the dances arranged during the past season proved a source of income to the funds, no less than £6 14s. 8d. being raised by these means. Skittles also maintained their popularity and the Inter-Factory matches for the President's trophy were competed for with enthusiasm.

During the summer months the first attempt at cricket was made and, with a view to creating further interest in this game, the Committee will earnestly consider purchasing cricket gear. This will greatly reduce the balance, and the secretaries appeal for the continued support of the members during the ensuing year.

After the report and balance-sheet had been adopted, Mr. Long proposed the reelection of our vice-presidents—A. E. Marsh, Esq., R. P. Redman, Esq., and Captain C.

Herbert Smith. This was unanimously carried with acclamation.

Proposing the re-election of the joint hon. secretaries, the Chairman stressed the amount of work these gentlemen had put into the Association, and on behalf of the members expressed their grateful thanks. This proposition was unanimously carried and, to the satisfaction of all present, Messrs. Fortune and Yeates consented to act for another year.

In conclusion we must recognise the untiring efforts of our manager, Mr. Long, who, as chairman of our committee, has helped and inspired us in our deliberations. given generous support, either with his presence or in some practical way, to every function promoted by the committee, and if we all continue to rally loyally around him the Association will accomplish even greater achievements during the coming year.

The following were elected to the committee during the recent ballot:—Office member, A. E. Burton (unopposed); Factory members, J. Baker and J. Burchell (reelected); D. Woodley and H. Butler (new members).

INTER-FACTORY COMPETITION - VISIT TO HIGHBRIDGE.

Owing to the fact that we were unable to procure a ground on which to play football, our Highbridge friends, in their usual sporting manner, reversed the original condition and kindly invited us to play the first series of games in this season's competition for our President's Cup at Highbridge.

This is the third year of the Competition. and as both factories have won the trophy once, considerable keenness is attached to this year's matches, Highbridge being most anxious to retain the honour; Chippenham being equally desirous of re-capturing same.

We leave our Somerset friends the privilege of recording the details of our visit on Saturday, 9th October, 1937, but we should like, through the medium of our Magazine, to again express our thanks for the warm welcome received and for the excellent way we were once again entertained by our rivals, and we shall do all we possibly can to reciprocate these kindnesses when the return visit is made in the spring.

We were indeed fortunate in securing one point from the football match, but we must admit we were thoroughly beaten at skittles, and congratulate Highbridge on their splendid win of 30 pins over us.

It will be necessary for us to win both football and skittles in the next encounter if we are to fulfil our desire. This we will most certainly endeavour to do, but at the same time we shall be satisfied as long as the best team wins and the sporting atmosphere which is characteristic of these games is allowed to prevail.

SICK LIST.

Our carpenter, Mr. W. Ruddle, unfortunately slipped in the Slaughter House and fractured his wrist. We are sorry he is not making such good progress as we would desire, but we hope that the treatment he is receiving will give satisfactory results. We are also sorry that Mr. A. Massey is on the sick list, and we trust he will soon regain his normal health.

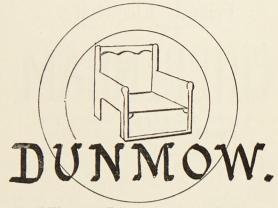
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Time rolls on all too quickly for many of us, and it is difficult to realise that this issue of the Magazine is the last before another Christmas will have come and gone. Everyone at Chippenham wish to convey heartiest greetings and all good wishes for a very happy time at Christmas, and best of good health and prosperity in the New Year, to our worthy Chief and Board of Directors, to all our friends at Calne, and those at all the branches distributed so widely throughout the country.

There have been ups and downs during the year now fast drawing to a close. The contract system for the purchase of pigs broke down and supplies have fluctuated very much indeed, which is very detrimental from a business point of view. Adequate and regular supplies of pigs are needed in order to keep factories running smoothly and economically, and we are hoping that before another year goes by a satisfactory scheme to stabilise the pig and bacon-curing industries of this country, for which our Directors have been working so long and so untiringly, will have become an established fact.

W.V.L.





"We, at Dunmow, send Christmas greetings to all friends, wherever they may be. We wish all a very healthy and prosperous 1938."

We had the honour of entertaining a party of about 71 Members and Fellows of the Institute of Certificated Grocers on the 14th October. All those concerned in the arrangement of this visit deserve our warmest thanks.

The day was a very memorable one. We knew that we were being distinctly honoured. We had not done this kind of thing before, and we were anxious that everyone concerned should see everything possible to be seen in as happy a way as could be arranged. It is a well-known fact that we get out of anything just about as much as we put into it; and the same law applied here: Our labours were fully rewarded all round.

It was our intention to show the party first of all our model pig barn, with its 30 sties and 300 pigs. We also intended to show the party the work going on in the cellars, the cutting up table, and slaughtering and dressing in all departments. This full programme was adequately carried out and, looking back on the event, we feel that a real service was rendered to our visiting friends, and we are most happy to say that we possess many letters of thanks, &c., from members of the party.

We were not pushing our own wares, and we were not trying to sell "Dunmow Flitch" bacon; we were out to help the industry to put itself in a truer perspective; and we succeeded, and, incidentally, we are going to say here and now that we put Dunmow on the map!

To the inquisitive who might want to

know more, we would say that we prepared a little pamphlet about pigs, which was handed to each member of the party as they boarded the 'bus in London. We also prepared a kind of souvenir booklet to give the party as they left for home. Our Pig Booklet was in general rather than particular terms. We were just trying to arouse interest in pigs, and to let the grocer see that the live pig is not the neglected animal that it was formerly, &c.

The party arrived at Dunmow at 3.30 p.m., and it left the factory at 5.30 p.m., and at 5.45 tea was served to the party, under the presidency of Mr. Redman.

When the idea of the visit was first mooted, we endeavoured to obtain Mr. Bodinnar's presence here, in the capacity of chief host; but, much as Mr. Bodinnar would have enjoyed being here, he simply had not the time to spare, and just could not come. Mr. Redman was a most willing substitute, and an excellent one. Mr. Redman brought greetings from Mr. Bodinnar, and these were most heartily received by the party. It was startling at first, and made us wonder, where all these people had got to know Mr. Bodinnar; but we remembered afterwards that he was their own President as well as our own Chief.

Mr. Redman gave what was really a very fine speech. It was not too brief, nor too long; nor too dull; nor too empty; in fact, it was just the kind of speech that made people say at the finish, "What a very fine and suitable effort."

We were glad that our own factory and the "Dunmow Flitch Trial" custom proved such a "good fat text." It is not possible to re-print the speech here, nor to give extracts. All we can say is that the right thing was said in the right way. Mr. Mumford responded on behalf of the Institute, and his remarks, we were glad to hear, were of a very complimentary and uncritical nature throughout. He was particularly kind in his references to Mr. Bodinnar, who was absent, and in his praise of all that we, as a firm, had done to make the afternoon so generally enjoyable for his party.

Mr. Copsey, the secretary of the Institute of Certificated Grocers, had arrangements for the visit well in hand, both before the day and on the day, and we tender him our best thanks for his patience and courtesy throughout. We must also mention our own London

representative, Mr. V. M. Sturgess, himself an M.G.I. Mr. Sturgess worked indefatigably, and we give him here full credit for any success.

A TRIP TO ALSACE-LORRAINE

It was a bright sunny September morning when 38 of us (Rover Scouts) met at Victoria Station ready to start on a trip which was to take us, for the most part, into the French provinces of Alsace and Lorraine

At ten o'clock the train drew out of the station, and all who were participating in the trip were in high spirits, having looked forward to it for many months. After an hour and twenty minutes journey Newhaven was reached and the Channel steamer boarded. Some of us had lunch on board, and as the sea was as calm as it could be, it was a successful venture. After a three-hour Channel crossing, Dieppe was reached, and many of us saw France for the first time, and on landing passed through the Customs without any bother. Here we all boarded the train for Paris.

The first building of importance that caught our attention was the famous Eiffel Tower, which could be seen long before our arrival at Paris Central Station. It was after eight hours travelling that Paris was reached, where coaches took us to our hotel. Dinner was at eight o'clock, so we had plenty of time for a wash and brush up, which was badly needed, since most of our journey had been by rail, and on a hot day at that.

When dinner was finished we divided ourselves into four groups, and spent the time at our disposal sight-seeing around the French capital, each group going its own way. Among the many buildings seen were the Chamber of Deputies, the Opera House, the Madeline Church. The Place de la Concorde was also visited, where there is a grand display of fountains; and from there we walked along the famous Paris avenue, the Champs-Elysees, which runs up to the Arc de Triomphe.

On the following Sunday, after breakfast, which consisted of just coffee and rolls, some of us visited the Cathedral of Notre Dame, which is situated on an island in the River Seine. For a small payment visitors are allowed up the towers of this famous church, which are approximately 300ft. in height, and from the top one can see all over Paris. It was very interesting to pick out the

different buildings in the city. Away in the distance could be seen the Sacre Coeur de Montmarte, which is situated on the top of a hill on the highest point of Paris. Although the Cathedral is 300ft. high, looking across to the Eiffel Tower, we could see it tapering up to over twice this height. After having had a good look round in all directions the 400 steps had to be descended, and quite a time was taken to get down, as frequently "hold-ups" occurred on the steps, owing to the up-coming people. However, once down we had to make for our hotel, as time would not allow more sightseeing, and here packed lunches were collected and ruc-sacs, &c., gathered together in preparation for our journey to the station and the next part of our trip, which was to Nancy.

T. H. SADLER.



We have been very interested in the original Harris advertisements appearing in the Press from time to time under the special winter campaign. The sight of these reminds us that we belong to a business of great importance. For those of us who live away from Calne it is wise to remind our grocer of the excellence of Harris products, and thereby made a personal advertisement for the Company, which means so much to us.

We have the usual seasonal illness among the staff, but fortunately none of a serious nature. We are sorry that Mrs. F. Martin has not fully recovered from her long illness, but it is hoped that it will not be too long before she is restored to good health.

The football team has had a fairly successful time during October, and considering this is the first season the members have played together, the games are very satisfactory. The results were:—Fair Oak, drew 4-4; Albion, won 3-2; Park Albion, lost 2-1; Caustons, drew 1-1; Park Albion

(Hants Junior Cup), lost 5-0. The goalscorers were:—E. Angell 4, L. Toogood 2, F. Richardson 1, R. Haines 1, A. Jannaway 1. EASTLEIGHAN.

OPENING CEREMONY OF RECREATION HUT.

During a memorable visit earlier in the year Mr. Bodinnar made enquiries as to the social facilities at Eastleigh. This enquiry led to the formation of the Eastleigh Welfare Association, with Mr. Bodinnar as the president. Throughout the summer we have seen the erection of a Social Hut, which was formally opened by Mr. Bodinnar on Friday evening, November 12th.

A supper and concert were arranged to mark this unique occasion. After a loyal toast was given by the Chairman, Mr. Jones proposed the toast of the Eastleigh Welfare Association, saving that it was through the Board's generosity that such a splendid recreation hall, so well equipped, had been provided for the society, and that a deep debt of gratitude was due to the Directors for the interest taken in the welfare of all. He appealed to everyone to support the Association to their fullest extent, and thereby justify the considerable outlay made. Mr. E. Angell supported the toast and mentioned that the football club was doing well in the local League.

In proposing the toast of the President, Mr. Taylor said how pleased he was to welcome Mr. Bodinnar on this occasion. He announced that the President had that evening generously given himself a sum of £10 towards the fund to celebrate the opening of the hut. Mr. Bodinnar, he continued, is an exceptionally busy man, and it is a signal honour conferred upon the society that he should spare these hours to visit and perform the opening ceremony, which showed the personal interest taken in the welfare of the employees. Supporting this toast were Messrs. F. Gallop and R. Haines, who spoke in terms of appreciation of all that had been done.

To the lusty strains of "For he's a jolly good fellow," Mr. Bodinnar rose to reply and said; "It is very kind of you to give me this welcome on what is an historic occasion, as we are certainly making history in opening this Welfare Club. I hope you will get lots of fun out of what has been provided for you. There is a whole lot of good in wholesome

sport, and I know you will have that here.

"The Directors have been very glad to have this hut put up for you, and I know you will make good use of it and get a lot of happiness out of it. I should like to say a word about the billiard table. We were at a Board meeting when I said, 'I am looking for a billiard table for Eastleigh; have either of you gentlemen got one?' when Mr. Edward Marsh said: 'Yes, and I should be glad indeed to give it to Eastleigh.' Now I should like Mr. Taylor to write a note thanking Mr. Marsh from this gathering for his gift. I know you will use it well and that it will give you much joy.

"Now, what about challenging Calne to billiards, darts, table tennis, and the other games? I know you did bring a cup away from Calne once, but on the next occasion you did not retain it! I should like to foster this inter-factory spirit, and I commend it to

"I am very glad to hear from Mr. Taylor that in your spare time you have done things towards the completion of this hut—with the levelling of the ground, the decorations, and the other things. It is good that you have done this, for now you will feel that you have a special part in it.

"The Two Minutes Silence yesterday reminded me of the debt we owe to the men—over 1,000,000 of them who are scattered, some of them in unknown places in the fields of Flanders. I was thinking what a pity they are not here with us in the present, as it is to this present they belong. It was for our liberty they made the supreme sacrifice. They entered into that spirit of comradeship, not for what they could get out of it, but they gave, asking for no reward. In that spirit are the ordinary relationships of life—work and play—best carried on.

"I'm awfully sorry your secretary, Beckett, is not with us this evening, and do hope that he will soon be well again. Garnett has had news of his brother's serious accident in London; we hope he will make a speedy recovery.

"Well, here is your Social Club; please make use of it. I am frequently in Government Departments trying to help re-build the Bacon and Pigs Schemes, and when I feel tired let me come down and have a game of billiards with you."

The roof of the new building was fully tested as Mr. Bodinnar sat down, for the

cheers, which lasted several minutes, spoke eloquently of the great appreciation expressed by the men.

Mr. Taylor, in well-chosen words, spoke of the personal interest taken in all the employees of all the factories, young and old, and mentioned the courageous step taken in advancing wages at a very difficult time. Now, as a result of thought and care. Eastleigh factory is provided with the bestequipped hut in the district, which could be called a second home, and to which we could gather for healthy recreation, and in continuing said, that everything had been provided free. As a mark of esteem and affection of the employees, Mr. Taylor asked Mr. Bodinnar to accept a silver cigarette box, to which everyone had contributed. and accompanying the gift was a letter which read :-

"This small cigarette box is presented to you on the occasion of the opening of the Welfare Hut, with the esteem and regard of every member of the Staff of the Four Counties Bacon Co., Eastleigh. They ask me to say that in giving you this they feel that they are expressing, even if in a small way, their heartfelt appreciation of the kindly interest which you, as their Chief, have always taken in the welfare of those who are associated with you in the group of Companies over whose destinies you preside. They ask you to accept this gift as a token of the spirit of co-operation which has always existed between all ranks of our Company, and which you, as our Chief, have always fostered."

The President replied.

During the course of the evening Mr. Bodinnar presented a clock to Mr. V. R. Collins from his fellow workers, on the occasion of his marriage, and in moving terms gave him good advice and wished him and his wife a long and happy married life.

We are deeply sorry to record that at our football match with Eastleigh Corinthians on Saturday, November 13th, "Bill" Collins had the great misfortune to break his leg. The sympathy of us all goes out to Bill during this time, and we sincerely wish him a speedy and permanent recovery. We remember, too, his brother and family during the anxious time through which they are passing.

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HICHBRIDGE

This being the Christmas issue of the Magazine, we should like to convey to all our friends, wherever they may be, our very best wishes for Christmas, and the hope that they will have a jolly time.

Weddings at Highbridge seem to be very popular just lately, and on Friday, the 22nd October, Mr. Kidley, in the presence of the Factory, Creamery, and Office staffs, made a presentation of a canteen of cutlery on their behalf to Miss M. J. Smart of the Office, who has married Mr. G. J. Pearse, our pig buyer.

On the following Friday a similar occasion was witnessed, this time Mr. R. J. Slocombe, of the factory staff, being presented with a clock.

To Mr. and Mrs. Pearse and Mr. and Mrs. Slocombe the good wishes of all of us are extended, and we hope they may have many years of happy married bliss before them

R.C.L.

SPORT.

We were pleased to welcome our friends from Chippenham on Saturday, 9th October, 1937, for the games of football and skittles in competition for the cup kindly given by our President.

The weather was gloriously fine for an autumn day. Our friends arrived about 2.45 p.m. after a lovely run down, and were met by representatives of our Welfare Association, and after the usual greetings we wended our way to the football ground, kindly loaned to us by Mr. G. Pearse.

The kick-off was timed for 3.15 p.m., and the ball was put into play by Miss "Anne" Kidley, elder daughter of our manager. Within a few minutes Chippenham made a determined effort to score early, and netted a beautiful goal. Highbridge very soon equalised. Another goal soon followed, and Highbridge were one up. The play after this became rather rubly, and not at all the "sporty" game one expected to see. We are afraid both teams were guilty of rough play. Highbridge again netted the

ball just before half-time, making the score: Highbridge, 3; Chippenham, 1.

In the second-half of the game Highbridge had chances galore, but were unable to net the ball. They should have made the score half a dozen, but somehow the ball would not go between the posts, and this seeming ill luck gave Chippenham the chance to equalise, which they did in some smart runs, and just before time the score was three all, Chippenham netting two goals in the second half of the game.

Our correspondent has previously remarked these games can only be enjoyed both by players and spectators when the spirit of the game is carried out, but once let jealousy enter into it, the field of play becomes a "bear garden" instead of one of pleasure, enjoyment and healthy exercise.

SKITTLES.

After the tea interval both teams entered into competition on The Hotel alley, and after playing five hands each, Highbridge won the game by thirty pins. Scores:—Highbridge, 410; Chippenham, 380.

Owing to an arrangement between the two teams an extra hand of skittles was played in case there should be a draw in the games, when Highbridge go to Chippenham in the spring, and again Highbridge were the winners by six pins.

SUPPER.

Mr. Kidley, in proposing the toast of "Our Visitors," said that once again it was his pleasure to welcome our friends from Chippenham. These visits had been of such duration now, he said, that he felt he could address them as a friend, and as a friend he now addressed them. With regard to the football match they had seen that day his impression was that the spirit of the game had departed. The first games between us, before the series of cup matches, were played in a very friendly and sporting way, and he would like to see a return of that spirit. It would be a great pity if these meetings should lose that camaraderie with which they started. Mr. Kidley said he was glad to see some fresh faces amongst the visitors, and also some who had been to Highbridge before, and on behalf of the Highbridge members and himself, he gave them all a hearty welcome and thanks for coming.

Mr. Long, in reply, said he would first like to thank their hosts for the ready

response to their request that the venue of this first match of the season should be changed. He said he had received a message from Mr. Curgenven saying how sorry he was not to be with them. He congratulated Highbridge on winning the skittles and forcing a draw at football. He said he would like to endorse Mr. Kidley's remarks regarding the football match. On behalf of Chippenham he thanked them all for everything they had done to make the visit a pleasant one.

The toast of "The President" was proposed (and accorded musical honours) by Mr. C. B. Shier, who said it gave him very much pleasure in so doing. He said he was sure it would be Mr. Bodinnar's wish to be there that evening if he possibly could, but at any rate they had his cup for remembrance. He remarked on the President's unfailing generosity in supporting any sport, and which helped to encourage them to these meetings year by year. Mr. Shier referred also to the value of sport to the world as a whole and said he was sure if a more sporting spirit prevailed we should hear less of war.

Mr. J. G. Hooper supported the toast and said it was a very real pleasure and privilege to him to do so, and that Mr. Shier had really said what he could endorse regarding the generosity and unfailing support of Mr. Bodinnar to any sport. Mr. Hooper also supported the remarks of Mr. Kidley and Mr. Long regarding the friendly spirit of sport, and hoped that this would be renewed, and that the games would be carried out in a spirit of friendly rivalry.

Captain C. Herbert Smith proposed the health of the chairman, which, he said, it gave him very great pleasure to do. He also said he should like to congratulate Mr. Kidley on the arrival of a second daughter.

The evening concluded, after songs and musical items by Captain Smith and Mr. Morrissey, with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

L.C.L.

HIGHBRIDGE AND DISTRICT LEAGUE SKITTLES.

Our team has played six matches since the start of the season, but we are sorry to relate we are still keeping the other teams up; in fact, we support the League. There is one thing we can say of our skittlers, they are a sporty crowd, and they make these League meetings a real night out and play the game.

"ANNE KIDLEY" CUP COMPETITION

As announced last month, the first round of this ever-popular competition was played on The Hotel alley, Highbridge, on Friday, 29th October, and some 18 of us met together to try our skill at the game, and we have pleasure in giving the following scores, showing positions of the players. We cannot make much comment at the moment, as there are several good skittlers to play who were unable to be with us on that evening. We think the innovation of "winners and losers" in the competition is appreciated, and helps to keep the competition together. Scores:—

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| 4.—Hill, A. H | | | 50 |
| 5.—Hardwidge, T | | | 49 |
| Williams, N | | | 49 |
| 6.—Ham, H | | | 48 |
| 7.—Young, W. H. G., Sen. | | | 46 |
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PSWICH

October, month of the falling leaf, has passed, and, as I write these somewhat belated notes, we are in the dull days of November.

The outstanding event for us in October was that on the 15th, when Mr. Redman came here and took the chair at a gathering of some 200 farmers, who were the Company's guests on that day. The whole affair was very successful, and the visitors appeared

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deeply interested in their journey round the Factory, in the speeches at the luncheon, whilst the luncheon itself was by no means despised. A fuller description of the day's doings will, I believe, appear in this issue of the Magazine from Mr. J. E. Smith.

Our Sports and Social Club have started on their winter campaign, with football and darts, and the competition for the "Ludgate" Cup (darts) is in progress.

The best wishes of all of us go with Mr. G. Quinton (Slaughter Department) in his retirement, and a collection was made to mark our esteem for "Old George," who had worked at the Ipswich branch since it opened in 1921, and had ever been a good comrade and a steady worker.

At the time of writing these notes we are in the throes of a particularly malignant outbreak of "foot and mouth" disease, which covers a widespread area over many counties. Prompt and vigorous steps are being taken to cope with the situation, and we all hope that the spread of the disease may be arrested. Much harm has been done, and many valuable animals have had to be slaughtered, but without such drastic measures the national loss would be very much greater.

Soon we shall be thinking of Christmas, and looking forward to a bumper trade and happy times.

Our Benefit Society is in the happy position of having a clean bill of health—no one at all on its sick list.

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A.H.M.



All at Kidlington send very sincere Christmas greetings to all our friends at Calne and the Branches, and to our representatives on the road.

We are glad to have Mr. Stockdale back with us once again. His friends at Calne will be glad to know that "Larrie" has fully recovered from his operation.

A little "sparrow" paid us a visit from Dunmow this week, and we hope that what he took back with him will prove a source of great enjoyment to the rest of the "nest" there.

Our Social Club Committee have stirred us all into great enthusiasm with their programme for the winter. Billiards, darts, and table tennis competitions are already in full swing, with silver cups as the prizes. We have already had some jolly games, and it now rests with us to back our committee up and to make this winter one of the best we have ever had. Several are throwing a very pretty dart we notice, which leads one to wonder where this skill has been attained. By the way, what was "Goode" doing with his spirit level when he heard there was rather a good Faull on the billiard table?

The first of this season's whist drives went off very successfully on November 17th. Forty-six sat down to enjoy a capital game, the winners being Mrs. Gardner, 178; Mr. Brown, 173; Mr. J. Harper and Mrs. Shirley, 171; Mrs. Hillier, 162; and Mrs. Hancox, 152. Our thanks are due to Mr. Teale, who acted as M.C., and to his band of helpers.



It is said that all birds come home to roost at eventide, and so will families gather together at Christmas time.

It is only fitting, then, that this page should have its seat in the family party in the Christmas number of our Magazine.

I am wondering what kind of Christmas card I shall paint. Shall I shut my eyes to

all the tragedy and horror that fills our daily papers; of those poor souls who live in those countries where that monster, "War," is destroying their homes and taking its toll of human life; or shall I paint the picture of a nation with its love of peace, and its traditional feasting, celebrating the birth of Christ?

As a boy, and like every other boy, I loved to hear the Old Testament stories of those great battles with the Philistines, and of that duel between David and Goliath, and I remember the thrill and satisfaction I enjoyed as those stories unfolded into victories on the side of truth and justice.

Just one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven years ago, while shepherds watched their flocks by night, that mystic star guided those three wise men travelling on their camels to pay homage to that new-



born Child, Jesus. Here the old order of teaching and of thought is changed. "Peace on earth, and goodwill to all men," is now proclaimed to the world, and now, after nearly two-thousand years, the world has not realised the real common sense of that teaching, and still we ask, "Why do the nations rage so furiously together?"

For with the woes of sin and strife,
The world has suffered long;
Beneath the angels' strain have rolled
Two thousand years of wrong;
And man, at war with man, hears not
The love-song which they bring.
O hush your noise, ye men of strife,
And hear the angels sing.

There is something different about Christmas in London. One misses those old carols, which I still hope have survived in the country. Two of these come to my mind, "The Moon shines bright" and "As I Sat on a Sunny Bank." The latter carol always fascinated me as those well-known words, "I saw three ships come sailing by," occurred, which I accepted as reference to the camels upon which the three wise men from the East were borne to Bethlehem.

If, however, we miss these old carols in London, I can still assure you that mistletoe still plays the same old tricks, and I won't

say how many on Christmas Eve will find their feet come into contact with a branch of holly as they jump into their beds.

With all the advancement of steam, telegraph, and wireless, it is more necessary for us to hold fast to the spirit of Christmastide and spread its message of goodwill throughout the year.

And now, from Cowcross Street, we send to our Chief our sincerest wishes for Health and Happiness, and a very Merry Christmas

to everybody.

G.C.



Probably there has not been such a perfect "Back End" as this for a generation, so far as leaf-burning gardeners and farmers are concerned. Bacon people are excluded from this because the mild weather has not stimulated appetites. It appears, however, to have stimulated the production of pigs, seeing that our population has come up to 4,356,000 from 3,632,000 in June, and as compared with 4,056,000 last December.

We shall not pursue this topic, but ask you to consider the more seasonable one suggested by this festive time when hearts old and young show delight by eating big dinners in public and celebrate frequently to the accompaniment of a great deal of expensive and unnecessary noise. There is something of the eternal Peter Pan in everyone. We refuse to grow up at Christmas. The growing infant rejoices in a drum to beat or a trumpet to blow, and we pull crackers and sing carols and dance. And is it not well for us that we can do so? Even in the graver things of life it often happens that the only way to peace of heart is to become as little children. Let us enjoy the primitive instinct with a clear conscience, and be children among the children for once in a while.

Talking of Christmas and puddings, one of our number related as a fact that while on holiday he admired the aspidistra in the

drawing room. A fellow guest explained that it had been a poor, weedy plant, and nearly dead once, until his friend, who was heartily sick of the sight of rice pudding, withdrew the earth and buried his rice pudding underneath. Ever since the aspidistra has thrived. Here is another story about that oft-

ridiculed plant. The Director of Education sent round a questionaire to various schools asking why they favoured this Victorian plant.

In his own mind the Director was quite sure of the answer. It was because they were easy to clean, and didn't take much looking after. None of the schools, however, admitted such a motive, but among various replies of doubtful validity, the Director received one honest answer, and it is pleasing to think the Church was responsible for it.

"Dear Sir," wrote the head of the Church School. "You ask me why my school is adorned with an aspidistra? It is because I was able to buy it for $4\frac{1}{2}$ d. at the Church bazaar."

Many tales are told about the careful Scot, but here is a tale about the mean lover, and this time it is about the Scotsman's "runner up," the Yorkshireman.

A young man who worked in a mill in a small Yorkshire town asked a girl who worked in the same mill to spend a day's holiday with him. She agreed, and off they went to the country.

"Well, me lass, how did t' get on, then?" asked the girl's mother when she returned.

Oh, it was all right, mum, but he's a bit mean, I think. He only spent sixpence on me all t'day."

'Sixpence! Sixpence indeed! If I wor thee I'd tak' 'im 'is sixpence back."

This the girl decided to do, and she set off shortly afterwards. She knocked at the young man's door and he answered it.

"I've come to bring your sixpence back that you spent on me to-day," she said.

The young man, taking it, replied, "Av, lass, tha' shouldn't' a bothered to-neet. It 'ud 'a done in t' morning.' * * *

Here is another of the same order. "A young man was in love with a girl who worked in the same mill. One day he told his mates that he was going to take his girl to Leeds on the Saturday.

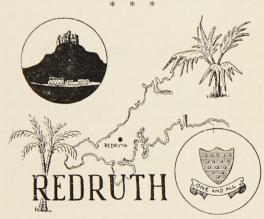
'It'll cost thi a bit, lad," they told

But he went and took the girl with him: and on the Monday his mates asked him how he had got on.

"Well," he said, "it were a dear doo. We walked both roads an' I bowt a penn'orth of apples and gave her two; so it turned out a bit expensive like."

You might be able to catch your friends with the following. How many sides has the new threepenny bit? Answerfourteen; twelve edges and two faces.

May we close by wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and New Year.



The Editor has reminded us that our notes this month are for insertion in the Christmas number. Well, how can anyone write notes of that seasonal nature when the summer weather is persisting right into the third week in October, when we are writing. Whilst we remind ourselves that the winter will seem very much shorter by reason of these lengthened summer conditions, it is being brought very forcilby to us that the drought is now becoming very serious. Many towns in Cornwall are suffering from severe shortage of water, and the position is becoming acute. To be complaining of shortage in October seems an almost impossible situation.

An interesting event took place on the 14th October, when Mr. Roynon presented an expanding travelling case and banknotes to Mr. T. Pidwell, who has been transferred

to the Ipswich Factory. Our very best wishes go with "Tom" for his happiness and success in his new sphere.

We welcome a new member of the staff in Morley Nankivell.

Congratulations to Jack Cooke, on the birth of a daughter.

W. H. May is still away ill, but we are pleased he is now making progress, and hope it will not be a long time before he is completely restored to good health.

Jack Merritt is still in hospital. Fortunately his arm is mending slowly, and we hope that he will be able to regain the full use of it.

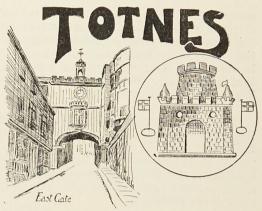
We wish all our friends throughout the Company a very Happy Christmas, and express the hope that 1938 may hold all that they themselves can wish for.



With the festive season drawing near we, at this branch, would like to send hearty greetings to our Directors and all members at Calne, and the Branches.

We are glad to say that, in spite of no contract this year, we have had a busy time, which is still continuing at the time of writing. Being a small branch, it has been very difficult to regulate supplies, in view of the numbers we can handle each day, whereas, when the contract was in force, we could see near enough each week the numbers of pigs to expect; but, thanks to the loyalty of our employees, we have been able to get over the work with little difficulty.

H.C.



With the approach of Christmas we again welcome the opportunity of sending a friendly greeting to our many friends at Calne and all the Branches, conveying the best of good wishes for a very Happy Christmas, and health and prosperity throughout the coming year.

J.N.P.

We are exceptionally late with our autumnal changes in Devon this year, and this is a tremendous contrast to 1936. The glorious weather that we have experienced during the summer, and right up to November this year, has been a great tonic and has shown us that it is possible to have prolonged sunshine in England. Reports come into the factory from day to day that "So-and-so" has picked runner beans in November, and somebody else still has nasturtiums in flower, and both ripe raspberries and strawberries have also been picked here. All this will tend to make the winter appear very short, and Christmas will seem to be the sooner, and at Totnes we hope that all will be able to enjoy this family festival and celebration to the utmost, and may those who are not able to join their families enjoy it with their friends.

We have to-day heard the results of the poll for the election of Councillors to our Borough Council. There was not a great deal of excitement this year, as there sometimes is—perhaps, because those elected are men of considerable age and, perhaps, therefore, have become more dignified and conservative in their methods of seeking election. Let us hope that they will have the foresight that is surely needed to-day if our small Municipalities are not to become

redundant or badly planned so as to get out of touch with the great advances that are being made everywhere during our generation. One of the greatest advances seems to be the higher standard of general education that is being set. May this stand England in good stead in the future.

We, at Totnes, are beginning to think of the possibilities of 1938, and to hope that the future will hold a sound pig and bacon policy to enable us to go on with great confidence, and which will reward those who spend so much time and thought and worry upon those problems.

T.H.R.

TO ALL OUR READERS
OUR VERY
BEST WISHES FOR A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND A
HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL SKITTLE TOURNAMENT.

LEAGUE TABLE AS AT DECEMBER 4TH, 1937.

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